

Prior authorization approvals now valid for 180 days for PTs and OTs in Category A

Prior authorizations approved by EviCore by Evernorth[®] for Category A physical therapy and occupational therapy providers are now valid for 180 days.

Providers should check their prior authorization requests in the EviCore Provider Portal to confirm the duration of each approved request.

Providers can still request one extension of approved prior authorizations via the EviCore Provider Portal.

As a reminder, physical therapy and occupational therapy services are managed by EviCore for Blue Care Network commercial and BCN Advantage members.

Category assignments

For information about EviCore's category assignments for physical therapists and occupational therapists, refer to these documents:

- EviCore Physical Therapy Practitioner Performance Summary and Provider Category FAQs* (PDF)
- EviCore Practitioner Performance Summary and Utilization Management Categories* (PDF)

These documents can be accessed on the Blue Care Network <u>PT, OT, ST and Physical</u> <u>Medicine Services</u> webpage at **ereferrals.bcbsm.com**.

Viewing your category assignment

For information about how to view your category assignment, refer to the document <u>Outpatient rehabilitation services Frequently asked questions for rehab providers</u>. Look in the section titled "Information about EviCore category assignments for PTs and OTs".

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