

NOTICE: Prior Authorization Grid Updates

March 18, 2025

Dear Providers,

This is a follow-up to our previous communication dated March 6, 2025, regarding updates to the PA Grid, effective **April 10, 2025**. Below are important revisions, including newly added codes requiring PA and services removed from PA requirements.

These changes are applicable to all lines of business; **BCBSAZ Health Choice, BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway and ACA StandardHealth With Health Choice.**

Codes Added to Require Prior Authorization
Medical: B4152, B4161, 64582, B4158, B9002, B4160, B9998
Medical Pharmacy: J1072, Q5148, Q5147, Q5150, Q5149, Q5151, Q2057, J9161, J9038, J9024, J2351, Q9999
Additionally, the following changes apply
J1299 Replaces J1300, Q5152 Replaces Q5139 J1300 and Q5139 are no longer billable codes

Services removed from the prior authorization
No PA Required for members 20 years old and under Physical, Occupational, and Speech therapies.

Codes removed from the prior authorization
20552, 20553, 64400, 64450, 64405, J9037

Access to Updated PA Grids:

- BCBSAZ Health Choice:

<https://www.azblue.com/health-choice-az/providers/pa-guidelines>

- BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway:

<https://www.azblue.com/health-choice-pathway/providers/prior-authorization-guidelines>

- ACA Standard Health with Health Choice:

<https://www.azblue.com/aca-standardhealth-health-choice/providers/pa-guidelines>

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