

CHANGES TO MEDICAL NECESSITY REVIEW CRITERIA FOR CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORS

This notification applies to the following networks: Commercial HMO, POS, and PPO
A listing of all networks can be found on the provider website at https://wa-provider.kaiserpermanente.org/communications/letters

Effective April 1, 2021, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington and Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington Options, Inc. (Kaiser Permanente) are updating the clinical review criteria for continuous glucose monitors (CGM) for non-Medicare members.

Explanation of the change:

Clinical review criteria for CGM for non-Medicare members have been revised to remove qualifiers for *symptomatic* hypoglycemia and Type 1 diabetes and to add information about replacement CGM eligibility.

Clinical review criteria can be found on the Kaiser Permanente Provider website at https://wa-provider.kaiserpermanente.org/static/pdf/hosting/clinical/criteria/pdf/continuous_glucose_monitor.pdf.

What will I need to do differently for my patients with the following Kaiser Permanente health plans?

- KFHPWA Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) members: Prior authorization is required.
- KFHPWAO Point of Service (POS) members: Prior authorization is required for in-network coverage.
- KFHPWAO Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) members: Prior authorization is not required.

Questions: Contact the Provider Assistance Unit at 509-241-7206 or 1-888-767-4670, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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