

CHANGES TO MEDICAL NECESSITY REVIEW CRITERIA FOR HIGH END IMAGING SITE OF CARE

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 December 1, 2023, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington and Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington Options, Inc. (Kaiser Permanente) is updating clinical criteria for High End Imaging Site of Care.

Explanation of the change:

Clinical criteria are being updated to allow for an indication for maintaining continuity within an episode of care.

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

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

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