

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

Applies to: Commercial - HMO POS PPO Medicare Advantage

Network list: <https://wa-provider.kaiserpermanente.org/communications/letters>

Effective October 1, 2024, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington and Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington Options, Inc. (Kaiser Permanente) are updating the criteria for High-End Imaging site of care.

Explanation of the change:

Kaiser Permanente is updating the High-End Imaging Site of Care Policy to include PET and PET CT and will require review for hospital-based imaging in addition to medical necessity review.

To review the clinical review criteria please visit the Kaiser Permanente Provider website at:
https://wa-provider.kaiserpermanente.org/static/pdf/hosting/clinical/criteria/pdf/high_end_imaging_soc.pdf

Is prior authorization required?

- 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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