CHANGES TO MEDICAL NECESSITY REVIEW CRITERIA FOR QUANTITATIVE BRAIN MAPPING (QUANTITATIVE ELECTROENCEPHALOGRAM (QEEG))

Applies to: Commercial - HMO ☒   POS ☒   PPO ☒   Medicare Advantage ☒

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Effective May 1, 2026, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington and Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington Options, Inc. (Kaiser Permanente) are updating the Biofeedback and Neurofeedback medical policy.

Explanation of the change:

Kaiser Permanente is updating the QEEG for Neuropsychiatric Disorders policy (a non-covered service for non-surgical neurologic and psychiatric conditions) within the Biofeedback and Neurofeedback policy. Brain mapping for presurgical purposes will now be addressed in a new policy titled **Presurgical Brain Mapping**.

To review the Biofeedback and Neurofeedback clinical review criteria, please visit the Kaiser Permanente provider website at:
https://wa-provider.kaiserpermanente.org/static/pdf/hosting/clinical/criteria/pdf/biofeedback.pdf

To review the Pre-Surgical Brain Mapping clinical review criteria, please visit the Kaiser Permanente provider website at:
https://wa-provider.kaiserpermanente.org/static/pdf/hosting/clinical/criteria/pdf/brain-mapping.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.
• Medicare Advantage: 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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