

How Do I Verify If Precertification is Required?

To determine if a precertification is required for a member, check eligibility and benefits information electronically through your practice management vendor's software or *ProviderAccess* via the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama web address, www.bcsal.com. **PRP information will be returned only if precertification is required.**

Following is an example of how this information is returned:

LIMITATIONS

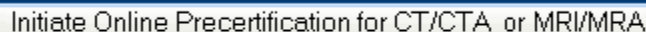
INDIVIDUAL: PREFERRED RADIOLOGY PROGRAM (PRP): CERTIFICATION REQUIRED: PRECERTIFICATION REQUIRED FOR POSITRON EMISSION TOMOGRAPHY (PET) SCANS RENDERED 4/1/2006 AND AFTER. CONTACT CARE CORE NATIONAL AT 1-866-803-8002 OR FAX REQUEST FORM TO 1-866-466-6964 TO INITIATE PRECERT.

INDIVIDUAL: PREFERRED RADIOLOGY PROGRAM (PRP): CERTIFICATION REQUIRED: PRECERTIFICATION REQUIRED FOR COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY (CT) AND CT ANGIOGRAPHY (CTA) SCANS RENDERED 7/1/2006 AND AFTER. INITIATE PRECERT ONLINE OR FAX FORM TO 1-866-466-6964 OR CONTACT CARE CORE NATIONAL AT 1-866-803-8002.

INDIVIDUAL: PREFERRED RADIOLOGY PROGRAM (PRP): CERTIFICATION REQUIRED: PRECERTIFICATION REQUIRED FOR MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI) AND MAGNETIC RESONANCE ANGIOGRAPHY (MRA) SCAN RENDERED 11/1/2006 AND AFTER. INITIATE PRECERT ONLINE OR FAX FORM TO 1-866-466-6964 OR CONTACT CARE CORE NATIONAL AT 1-866-803-8002.

ProviderAccess offers two additional options for the precertification process.

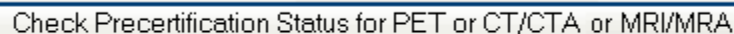
The first button is only displayed for referring providers allowing them to initiate precertifications online, shown below:



Initiate Online Precertification for CT/CTA or MRI/MRA

The second but shown below:

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Check Precertification Status for PET or CT/CTA or MRI/MRA