



**BlueCross BlueShield
of Alabama**

PREADMISSION CERTIFICATION

P.O. Box 2504

Birmingham, Alabama 35201- 2504

An Independent Licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

Dear Doctor:

Preadmission Certification is designed to promote the utilization of outpatient service in place of the inpatient hospital setting, when appropriate. Prior to the admission, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama must review the medical necessity of the inpatient setting. Please complete Section II of this page to facilitate this process. Failure to obtain preadmission certification may result in denial of benefits. Please telephone Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama at the telephone number listed below for emergency admissions within 24-48 hours of the admission date.

I. PATIENT INFORMATION

Patient Name	Subscriber Name (If not Patient)	Contract Number	Group-Division Number
Street Address	City	State	ZIP
		Home Telephone Number	Work Telephone Number
Date of Birth	Signature of Subscriber or Dependent of Legal Age		

II. ADMISSION INFORMATION

Primary Admitting Diagnosis		ICD-9 Code	Secondary Admitting Diagnosis	ICD-9 Code
Proposed Admission Date	Proposed Surgery Date	Name of Admitting Hospital or Facility		Recommended Length of Stay
Brief Summary of Previous Outpatient Treatment _____ _____ _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Continued on Attached Sheet		Proposed Surgical Procedure(s) _____ _____ _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Continued on Attached Sheet		CPT Codes
Medical Factors Indicating Need for Hospitalization _____ _____ _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Continued on Attached Sheet		Outline of Proposed in Hospital Treatment Plan _____ _____ _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Continued on Attached Sheet		

III. PHYSICIAN INFORMATION

I certify that this inpatient admission is medically necessary for the diagnosis given. I also certify that this patient could not use any of the alternatives to inpatient coverage available to him/her. I understand that this inpatient admission is subject to medical review.			
Attending Physician's Name	Alabama Provider # (if applicable)	Office Telephone	Mailing Address, City, State, ZIP
Contact Person	Doctor's Signature		Date

Please return this form to:
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF ALABAMA
ATTENTION: Preadmission Certification
P.O. Box 2504
Birmingham, Alabama 35201-2504

Call: **1 800 248-2342**
or
Telefax: 866 713-6516

QUALITY ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Reviewer _____ Date Received _____ Date Reviewed _____

Admission Coverage Approved YES NO OTHER (If no, immediately refer to Level III Consultant)
(See Comments Below)

Reason for Decision _____

Estimated Length of Stay _____ Diagnosis Code(s) _____

Level III Consultant _____ Date Reviewed _____

Admission Coverage Approved: YES NO Authorization Code _____

Reason for Decision _____

Alternative Care Recommended? YES NO

If yes, specify type of care _____

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

