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Subject: Update to Notification of Admission Authorization Requirements for Maternity Stays

Presbyterian Health Plan, Inc. and Presbyterian Insurance Company, Inc. (Presbyterian) strives to keep providers up to date with authorization requirements. We would like to take this opportunity to inform providers about authorization requirements for maternity stays.

To adhere to regulations from the Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act (NMHPA), Presbyterian no longer requires a notification of admission authorization for a mother or newborn for a hospital delivery up to 48 hours following a vaginal delivery and up to 96 hours following a cesarean delivery. This change will be applied retroactively to Jan. 1, 2021.

Please note that an authorization **is** required if a member or their newborn's inpatient stay is longer than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery or 96 hours following cesarean delivery.

If providers have any questions, they can contact their Provider Network Operations relationship executive using the contact information below. As always, thank you for partnering with us to improve the health of the patients, members and communities we serve.

Provider Network Operations



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