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PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS FOR CHILDREN AGE 0 THROUGH 2 YEARS

All Behavioral Health services for children age 0 through 2 years must be prior authorized, regardless of the ME code or placement of the child, with the exception of Diagnostic Evaluation.

PROCEDURE CODES 90791 AND 90792 – DIAGNOSTIC EVALUATION

Effective April 15, 2013, MHD will no longer require prior authorization for procedure codes 90791 (Diagnostic Evaluation without medical) and 90792 (Diagnostic Evaluation with medical) for children age 0 through 2 years. Diagnostic Evaluation is still limited to six (6) half hour units per provider, per participant, per rolling year.

Provider Bulletins are available on the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) (Formerly the Division of Medical Services) Web site at http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pages/bulletins.htm. Bulletins will remain on the Provider Bulletins page only until incorporated into the provider manuals as appropriate, then moved to the Archived Bulletin page.

MO HealthNet News: Providers and other interested parties are urged to go to the MHD web site at http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/global/pages/mednewssubscribe.htm to subscribe to the electronic mailing list to receive automatic notifications of provider bulletins, provider manual updates, and other official MO HealthNet communications via E-mail.

MO HealthNet Managed Care: The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- Services not included in MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the red MO HealthNet card or by calling the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-751-2896 and using Option One for the red or white card.

Provider Communications Hotline
573-751-2896

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