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New forms to be submitted with PA requests for PRTF admissions, readmissions, and continued stays

In [BT201250](#), dated November 29, 2012, the Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) announced changes to the prior authorization (PA) criteria for admissions, readmissions, and continued stays in a psychiatric residential treatment facility (PRTF) (405 IAC 5-3). PA criteria updates were effective for dates of service (DOS) on or after January 1, 2013, and are unchanged by this bulletin. This bulletin establishes the required submission of two additional forms to relay elements of the required documentation with all PA requests submitted by mail or fax.

Effective July 1, 2013, providers are required to use the *PRTF Admissions Assessment* to document information supporting PA requests for PRTF admissions and readmissions and to use the *PRTF Extension Request Tool* to document information supporting PA requests for PRTF continued stays. These two forms are attached to this bulletin for reference and are accessible for use from the [Forms](#) page at indianamedicaid.com.

PA documentation requirements for new admissions

Effective with DOS on or after July 1, 2013, the PA documentation requirements for new admission requests submitted by mail or fax are as follows:

- *Indiana Health Coverage Programs Prior Authorization Request Form* – A completed form is required. This form is available on the [Forms](#) page at indianamedicaid.com.

- **PRTF Admission Assessment Form** – A completed form is required. This form is available on the [Forms](#) page on indianamedicaid.com.
- **Certification – Plan of Care for Inpatient Psychiatric Hospital Services/ Determination of Medicaid Eligibility (OMPP 1261A) (#44697)** – A completed form, signed by the certifying physician, is required. This form can be found on the [Forms.in.gov](#) web page (search for form #44697).
- **Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) Assessment** – A recent CANS assessment, printed from the designated state system, indicating PRTF level of need, is required. The assessment can be no more than 30 days old.
- **Physician history and physical (H&P)** – A completed physician H&P examination is required. The H&P can be no more than 90 days old.
- **Initial Master Multidisciplinary Treatment Plan** – The master multidisciplinary treatment plan must be completed no later than 10 days after admission and sent to the appropriate PA vendor. The treatment plan must be in accordance with the appropriate federal guidelines including, but not limited to, 42 CFR §441.155, §456.180, and §441.156. Additionally, the master treatment plan should:
 - Be based on a diagnostic evaluation and outline the diagnosis along with problems related to the member's psychiatric condition.
 - Include measurable goals and objectives relevant to the problems, which include needs and strengths identified on the CANS and input from the member's family or legal guardian.
 - Identify the team of professionals, as specified in 42 CFR §441.156, who will be involved in the member's care and treatment.
 - Include interventions and time frames for reaching the goals and objectives.
 - Include expected discharge date of the member.
- **Documentation indicating the severity of the member's mental disorder** – The member must have one or more Axis I diagnoses from the approved list. Axis II diagnoses may not be used to qualify a youth for admission to a PRTF. Mental health disorders are outlined in the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual (DSM)*. (*Note: DSM-5 is scheduled to be released May 2013.*)
- **Documentation indicating that intermediate or long-term care in a secure facility is needed for the member** – The member must show need for intermediate or long-term residential, psychiatric treatment modalities, such as group counseling, individual counseling, recreational therapy, expressive therapies, or behavior modification treatment. Special programs that are strictly educational do not qualify as behavior therapy.



- Additional treatment information – Additional information from the member’s current or previous treatment may be requested to ensure appropriate review and determination.
- *Freedom of Choice Form* – Acknowledgement is required from the member’s parent or legal guardian that he or she has been informed of the services available to the family through the different child-serving systems and has chosen PRTF admission. This documentation must be included in the member’s clinical record but is not required to be submitted.

PA documentation requirements for readmissions

Effective with DOS on or after July 1, 2013, the PA documentation requirements for readmission requests submitted by mail or fax are as follows:

- All documentation outlined for a new admission
- Clinical documentation that explains:
 - Failure of previous discharge plan to use a less-restrictive setting, including services or interventions that were attempted successfully or unsuccessfully
 - Any significant changes in the member or the family situation that could have led to decrease in stability or increase in psychiatric symptoms
 - An estimated length of stay and recommendations for treatment goals and interventions during this stay
 - The significant changes that must occur during this stay for the member to successfully transition to a less-restrictive setting



PA documentation requirements for continued stay

Effective with DOS on or after July 1, 2013, the PA documentation requirements for continued stay requests (required every 30 days of member’s stay) submitted by mail or fax are as follows:

- *Indiana Health Coverage Programs Prior Authorization Request Form* – A completed form is required. This PA form is available on the [Forms](#) page at indianamedicaid.com.
- *PRTF Extension Request Tool* – A completed form is required. This PA form is available on the [Forms](#) page at indianamedicaid.com.
- *Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) Assessment* – The most recent CANS assessment recommendations, printed from the designated state system, is required. To monitor progress for youth and caregivers in specific areas of need and strengths, the CANS should be completed as part of the initial assessment and re-administered every 90 days or after significant clinical events to update information regarding initial level of need. The overall level of need score is considered in the context of circumstances identified in the intervention plan and progress report, and the availability of appropriate local transitional services.

- **Master Multidisciplinary Treatment Plan** (most current) – The master multidisciplinary treatment plan must be reviewed and updated every 30 days. The provider must submit an updated treatment plan via fax or mail 14 days after the date of admission and every 30 days thereafter. Failure to do so will result in a denial of additional days. The treatment plan must be in accordance with the appropriate federal guidelines including, but not limited to, *42 CFR §441.155*, *§456.180*, and *§441.156*. Additionally, the master treatment plan should include the following information:
 - A diagnostic evaluation that justifies the diagnosis, along with an explanation of the problems related to the member’s psychiatric condition
 - Measurable goals and objectives relevant to the problems, which include needs and strengths identified on the CANS and input from the member’s family
 - Interventions to assist the member and his or her family in reaching the goals and objectives Identity of the team of professionals, as specified in *42 CFR §441.156*, involved in the member’s care and treatment
 - Anticipated discharge date of the member
 - Additional information, such as physician and nursing notes from the member’s current treatment team
- **Additional clinical documentation** – The clinical documentation must support:
 - The likelihood of continued progress pertaining to specific measurable goals with specific completion deadlines
 - Explanation for the lack of progress, if no progress has been made
 - Changes to the master treatment plan to facilitate goal completion
 - The level of progress made on treatment goals, reflecting the original anticipated completion date of the PRTF treatment goals
 - ◆ If the anticipated date of completion for the goals has changed, a detailed explanation of why the date change occurred, what changes have been made to the goals, and the new anticipated date of completion must be included.
- **Plan for discharge and aftercare placement and treatment** – The treatment facility must provide a plan for discharge and aftercare placement and treatment. A comprehensive discharge plan should include discrete, behavioral discharge criteria, including a time line for the transition to a less-intense level of care. The clinical documentation must include specific discharge dates, especially when discharge to the member’s home may not be an option. Therapeutic leave may be an appropriate component of the member’s discharge plan.

A *PRTF Prior Authorization Quick Reference Guide* is attached to this bulletin as a reference tool to help providers complete the required documentation. Please see the [Indiana Health Coverage Programs Provider Manual](#) for other information about PRTF services and billing.

QUESTIONS?

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PRTF Prior Authorization Quick Reference Guide

Documentation Type	New Admission/ Readmission	Continued Stay ¹
If initiated by telephone , the following must be provided immediately : ²		Required
NPI OR LPI	X	X
Member's name and RID	X	X
Member's primary diagnosis	X	X
Date of new or continued admission	X	X
Overview of member's current status and history	X	X
For all requests, the following must be provided by mail or fax within 14 days of admission:		Required
<i>Indiana Health Coverage Programs Prior Authorization Request Form</i>	X	X
<i>PRTF Admission Assessment Form</i>	X	
<i>Certification – Plan of Care for Inpatient Psychiatric Hospital Services/ Determination of Medicaid Eligibility (OMPP 1261A)</i>	X	
<i>PRTF Extension Request Tool</i>		X
<i>Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) Assessment</i>	X	X
<i>Physician History & Physical (H&P)</i>	X	
<i>Master (current) Multidisciplinary Treatment Plan</i>	X	X
Documentation indicating the severity of the member's mental disorder	X	
Documentation indicating that secure facility intermediate or long-term care is needed for the member	X	
Additional treatment information	X	
<i>Freedom of Choice Form</i> (on file only)	X	
Additional clinical documentation		X
Plan for discharge and aftercare placement and treatment		X
Clinical documentation of previous discharge plan failure with recommendations for readmission treatment goals and interventions as well as changes planned for successful transition (readmissions only)	X	

¹ For continued stay requests, providers must call or submit the required documentation every 30 days of the member's stay and before the current PA expires. Once PA is created in IndianaAIM, the request will remain in the "pending" status until the previous required documentation has been submitted via mail or fax within 14 business days of the continued stay request.

² For telephone PA requests, providers must maintain the same documentation in the chart that would be required if submitting the request via mail or fax. For new requests not considered urgent admissions, providers must call on or before the date of admission. Once PA is created in IndianaAIM, the request will remain in "pending" status until the previous required documentation has been submitted via mail or fax within 14 business days of admission.

**PRTF Admission
Assessment***

PA#: _____

Name: _____

RID#: _____

DOB: _____

Please answer or list the following information:

1.	Current DSM Diagnoses on Axes I & II within the SED criteria as specified by DMHA/Medicaid	
	a.	
	b.	
	c.	
2.	Identify which of the following risk behaviors is/are present:	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	History of severe physical, sexual or emotional maltreatment
b.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	History of disruptive adoption or multiple foster placements
c.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Physical assault against a parent or adult caregiver
d.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	History of sexual assault by the individual
e.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	History of fire setting resulting in damage to a residence
f.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Runaways from 2 or more community placements by a child <14 y/o
g.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Other impairment of family functioning or social relatedness of similar severity
h.	Other:	a)
		b)
3.	Identify which of the following interventions have been utilized: NA = not available	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA	Family or relative placement with outpatient therapy
b.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA	Day or after school treatment
c.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA	Foster care with outpatient therapy
d.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA	Therapeutic foster care
e.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA	Group child care supported by outpatient therapy
f.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA	Partial hospitalization
g.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA	Intensive Outpatient Counseling (IOC)
h.	Other:	a)
i.		b)
4.	Are any of the following present which cause a threat to self or others?	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Self care deficit severe and longstanding including refusal to comply with treatment
b.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Self care deficit places child in life threatening physiological imbalance
c.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Sleep deprivation or significant weight loss
d.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Threats accompanied by depression, loss, suicide A/G/T, substance abuse, aggression
e.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Verbalization escalating in intensity accompanied by gesture or plan
f.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Impaired thought processes with disruption of safety to self or others
g.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Nonresponsive to outpatient trial of medication or supportive care
h.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Severe dysfunction patterns of behavior that prohibit lower level of care
5.	Please indicate level of family engagement: <input type="checkbox"/> high <input type="checkbox"/> medium <input type="checkbox"/> low <input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
6.	Date of last CANS: _____	LON as last determined: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6
7.	Date _____	and findings of Neuropsychological testing: <input type="checkbox"/> Not done <input type="checkbox"/> Not available
	a.	
	b.	
	c.	
8.	Please indicate level of academic or school problems: <input type="checkbox"/> high <input type="checkbox"/> medium <input type="checkbox"/> low <input type="checkbox"/> none	
9.	Please attach documentation regarding the following:	
	a. A list of current medications, including drug, indication and dosage	
	b. Any additional information in support of PRTF including past pertinent events and interventions	
10.	Do any of the following apply regarding the admission?	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Non-DMHA/Medicaid approved DSM diagnoses e.g. anti-social personality disorder
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Recurrent criminal behavior or conviction
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Admission for respite care for parents who are not participating in the treatment process
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Admission to avoid prosecution, incarceration or other legal consequences
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Provided for the convenience of the parent(s) or provider or for custodial purposes only
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Persistent developmental delay is documented
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Family was informed of potential community-based options prior to placement and/or upon discharge from PRTF.
Submitted by: _____		Signature: _____
_____		Date: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> HSPP <input type="checkbox"/> MD <input type="checkbox"/> DO Other		

*This form is required for prior authorization requests for admission to Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities .

