

Residential Treatment for Substance Use Disorder AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Submission of this form is only a request for services and does not guarantee approval. Incomplete forms may delay processing. All NC Providers must provide their 5-digit Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina (Blue Cross NC) provider ID# below.

Date of Request	Patient Name	Patient Blue Cross NC ID Number	Patient Date of Birth

Requesting/Ordering Provider Information		Servicing Provider or Facility Location (for services to be performed outside of the provider's office)	
Provider Name		Servicing Provider	
Provider #, Tax ID # or NPI		Facility Name	
Street, Bldg., Suite #		Servicing provider or Facility #, Tax ID # or NPI	
City/State/Zip code		Street, Bldg., Suite #	
Phone #		City/State/Zip code	
Fax #		Fax #	

Current DX – Please list ICD-10 codes(s), Diagnosis Name, Specifier (if applicable)

ICD-10 Code		DX Name		Specifier	
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**** For Initial Authorization Requests Only ****

Approval must be obtained in advance of admission – failure to do so may result in reimbursement denial

Please fax in current clinical records (must include serial vital signs and withdrawal scale scores from prior 72 hours)
AND treatment plans AND complete Discharge Summary upon discharge from treatment center.

Requested auth start date		Anticipated Length of Stay	
Is the patient currently in the Inpatient Setting?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES Inpatient Facility Name: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> NO Patient Current Location: _____		
Acuity Assessment	<p>Does the patient currently require, or is the patient anticipated to require physical restraint or seclusion? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Does the patient require around-the-clock medical or nursing monitoring for treatment of withdrawal or other medical conditions? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>IF YES, are intensive treatment and resources of an inpatient hospital anticipated? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>ASAM Score: _____</p> <p>Please include serial Vital Signs and Withdrawal Assessment Scores (COWS/CIWA/BAWS)</p>		

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	Drug	Drug Class	Length of Trial/Start and End Dates	Max Dose	Member Response

Assessment of patient risk or severity of substance-related disorder	<p>Severity of substance-related disorder - include types of substances being used; what DSM-5 criteria for substance use disorder that are met; potential for relapse or continued use outside of a residential treatment setting; and motivation for change and recovery:</p> <p>Self-care assessment – include ability to attend to activities of daily living, functional status in the home, school/work and social settings:</p> <p>Support assessment – include resources and relationships available at home and within social networks, and coping skills necessary to achieve recovery:</p> <p>Evidence for why outpatient treatment (partial hospitalization, intensive outpatient, or regular outpatient) is not a sufficient or safe alternative to residential treatment center care:</p>
Withdrawal assessment and medical management	<p>Signs or symptoms of withdrawal – include CIWA or COWS assessment score and management interventions:</p> <p>Active co-occurring medical condition(s) and any required management:</p>

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	Active co-occurring mental health disorder(s) and any required management:
Current Treatment Goals	Documentation should include the proposed treatment plan interventions and goals; rationale/benefits of residential level of care versus a less intensive level of care (i.e. outpatient treatment); and expected patient participation and adherence:
Anticipated Discharge Plan and Needs	

An URGENT review of services may be requested when, in the opinion of a practitioner with knowledge of the member's medical or behavioral condition, believes application of the timeframe for making routine or nonlife - threatening care determinations could seriously jeopardize the life, health or safety of the member or others.

Does the overseeing physician consider this an URGENT request? YES NO

If YES is selected, please include rationale of member's current condition, requiring URGENT review:

Residential Treatment Center Licensure Information to be completed for Out-of-Network Facilities

- An RTC is considered out-of-network if not specifically participating with Blue Cross NC OR if the RTC is not participating with the Host states Blue Card network.
- If these criteria are not met, there is no available RTC benefit.

Is your facility operational 24 hours per day, 7 days per week (24/7)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Does your licensure require clinical staff to be present 24/7?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Does your licensure require clinical staff during day hours but on call during sleep hours?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is your facility accredited?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you have a copy of your facility State License and Accreditation to submit and attach with this request?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

By signing below, I certify that I have appropriate authority to request prior authorization and certification for the item(s) indicated on this request and that the patient's medical records accurately reflect the information provided. I understand that Blue Cross NC may request medical records for this patient at any time to verify this information. I further understand that if Blue Cross NC determines this information is not reflected in the patient's medical records, Blue

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Cross NC may request a refund of any payments made and/or pursue any other remedies available. Finally, I certify that I've completed this form in its entirety and I understand that an incomplete form may delay processing.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Fax this form with required documentation to Blue Cross NC Commercial Behavioral Health @ 866-987-4161.

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