



New Prior Authorization Process Effective June 15, 2018

Effective June 15, 2018, prior authorization will be required for facility billing of outpatient surgery (including cardiac catheterizations) if the outpatient surgery or recovery room spans more than one calendar day. Services immediately subsequent to an emergency room visit or labor and delivery service (billed on the same claim) are not included in this requirement.

Observation services always require authorization and are also unaffected by this change.

For the purposes of this requirement, please see the following billing definitions of the above services:

Outpatient Surgery:	Revenue Codes 360, 361, 362, 367, 369, 490, 481
Recovery Room:	Revenue Code 710
Emergency Room:	Revenue Codes 450, 451, 452, 459
Labor & Delivery:	Revenue Codes 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 729
Observation:	Revenue Code 762