

Prior Authorization Form

Fax form to: 888.647.6152

Bariatric Surgery



Member

Last name: _____ First name: _____

Contract #: _____ DOB: _____ (Must be 18 years of age or older.)

Primary care physician: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Has PCP been notified of request? ☐ Yes ☐ No Hospital: _____

*Surgeon _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Address: _____ Surgery Date (if known): _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

*Is the surgeon who will be performing the surgery a regular member of the American Society for Metabolic & Bariatric Surgery (ASMBS)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Required

Medical obesity treatment may be provided by a credentialed physician with a declared interest in the medical treatment of obesity, the member's primary care physician (PCP) or other managing physician. Please refer to the [Medical Management of Obesity policy #91594](#) for specific criteria and documentation requirements which must be included (if applicable) when submitting this form.

Medical Management Program Supervised By (if required): _____

Dates of Attendance: _____

Clinical Condition

Current Weight: _____ Current Height: _____ *BMI: _____ Date weight and height measured _____

* BMI should be based upon measurement of height and weight within one month of requesting the surgery.

Check criteria that applies: ☐ BMI ≥ 35 , participation in medical weight management program, and at least **one** of the obesity-related co-morbidities listed below.

☐ BMI ≥ 40 , participation in medical weight management program

☐ BMI ≥ 50

Obesity-related co-morbidities (check all that apply and complete required information)

☐ Symptomatic sleep apnea requiring treatment Treatment (Check One): ☐ CPAP ☐ BI PAP ☐ Oral Appliance

☐ Significant cardiac disease/pulmonary disease (ASHD, RVH, LVH) Diagnosis _____

☐ Hypertension on one or more medications. Average B/P _____ Meds/Dose _____

☐ Hyperlipidemia on therapy HDL/LDL _____ Onset Date _____ Meds/Dose _____

☐ Diabetes with HgbA1C > 7.0 requiring one or more medications or insulin. HgbA1C _____ Onset Date _____
Orals Meds/Dose _____ Insulin Therapy _____

☐ No co-morbidities present

Treatment requested

☐ Primary Bariatric Surgical (PBS) Treatment ☐ Revisional Bariatric Surgical (RBS) Treatment

Please select procedure being requested, including the CPT Code

☐ Roux en Y – CPT Code _____

☐ Laparoscopically Adjustable Banding (with an FDA approved device) – CPT Code _____

☐ Biliopancreatic Diversion with Duodenal Switch – CPT Code _____

☐ Sleeve Gastrectomy (specific criteria must be met) – CPT Code _____

☐ Other – CPT Code _____

Required

Need to include the following for medical review

☐ Surgeon Evaluation ☐ Internist Evaluation* ☐ Complete Psychological Evaluation (required for Medicaid members only)

*In some cases surgeon does medical evaluation also

If any of the following medical conditions are present, surgery is contraindicated.

☐ Pregnancy/lactation

☐ Severe psychopathology (based on a professional mental health evaluation)

☐ Medical conditions that make patient a prohibitive risk

☐ Any disease (e.g. cancer, uremia, liver failure), associated with a likelihood of survival less than 1 year

☐ Substance abuse including alcohol and other drugs of abuse. Six months of abstinence prior to surgery is required to meet this criterion.

☐ Tobacco use. *At least one month of abstinence prior to surgery is required to meet this criterion. The surgeon must require at least one month of tobacco abstinence prior to the surgical procedure. **Quit Date:** _____

*Please note surgery will not be approved unless abstinence criterion prior to surgery date is met.