

Arkansas Medicaid Prior Authorization and Retrospective Review Procurement

In June 2018, Arkansas Department of Human Services (DHS) will begin the procurement process for two (2) contracts for Prior Authorization (PA) and Retrospective Review (RR) services. The services are paid by Arkansas Medicaid under the Fee-For-Service (FFS) program and are provided to Beneficiaries who are not being served by a PASSE (Provider-Led Arkansas Shared Savings Entity).

(1) Invitation for Bid (IFB) for PA/RR services and Medical Review/Consults (MRC), including but not limited to:

- Inpatient and Outpatient Medical Services
- Durable Medicaid Equipment (DME)
- Personal Care (under 21 years of age)
- Physician-Administered Drugs
- Emergency Room/Emergency Department (ER/ED) Retrospective Reviews
- Hospital Admissions/Inpatient Services Retrospective Reviews
- Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) Retrospective Reviews
- Out of State Referrals
- Suspended Claims
- Emergency Transportation
- Transplants
- EPSDT (Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment) Extension of Benefits
- Emergency Medicaid Eligibility

(2) Request for Proposal (RFP) for PA/RR services specifically for special needs populations, including services for Behavioral Health (BH), Developmental Disabilities (DD) and Aging (DAAS) populations. The following services offered, and overseen by DAABH (Division of Aging, Adult and Behavioral Health Services) and DDS (Division of Developmental Disabilities Services) include:

- Speech Therapy (ST)
- Physical Therapy (PT)
- Occupational Therapy (OT)
- Early Intervention Day Treatment (EIDT)
- Adult Developmental Day Treatment (ADDT)
- DMS 640 forms
- Non-Waiver Personal Care for Individuals twenty-one (21) years of age and older
- Medicaid Behavioral Health Services (Tier 1-Level Counseling Services)
- Applied Behavioral Health Analysis (ABA) through the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) program

The awarded Vendor shall also provide the following functions related to services and claims for services:

- IA (Independent Assessment) screening, referral and tracking
- Medical Reviews and Consults for program applications, including the following:
 - Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility (TEFRA) applications; and
 - Autism Services
- Retrospective Reviews/Retroactive Reviews