

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
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Special Open Door Forum:
Repetitive, Scheduled Non-Emergent Ambulance Transport Prior Authorization Model
National Expansion
Thursday, October 28, 2021
2:00-3:30 pm Eastern Time
Conference Call Only

CMS will host a Special Open Door Forum (SODF) to allow ambulance suppliers, other Medicare providers, and additional interested parties to learn about the upcoming national expansion of the Repetitive, Scheduled Non-Emergent Ambulance Transport (RSNAT) Prior Authorization Model in Medicare fee for service. CMS is implementing the national model in multiple phases beginning with Arkansas, Colorado, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas on December 1, 2021. The RSNAT Prior Authorization Model is currently operating in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and South Carolina since 2014 and in North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, and the District of Columbia since 2016. This Special ODF will include information on national expansion, the prior authorization process, and a Q&A period.

Prior authorization helps to make sure that applicable coverage, payment and coding rules are met before services are rendered. The model establishes a prior authorization process for repetitive, scheduled non-emergent ambulance transports to reduce utilization of services that do not comply with Medicare policy while maintaining or improving quality of care. Prior authorization does not create new clinical documentation requirements. It requires the same information that is already required to support Medicare payment.

You can find more information on the model and slides for the ODF presentation by going to: <http://go.cms.gov/PAAmbulance>

Questions on the model can be sent to: AmbulancePA@cms.hhs.gov

We look forward to your participation.

Special Open Door Participation Instructions:
Participant Dial-In Number: 1-888-455-1397
Conference ID #: 8604468

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