

# **NETWORK** Notification

Notice Date: October 1, 2024

To: Michigan Medicaid Providers

From: HAP CareSource™

Subject: Evolent (formerly National Imaging Associates, Inc.) - UPDATE

Effective Date: November 1, 2024

This notification is an update to the <u>network notification</u> posted on August 2, 2024. Updated information is indicated in <u>red</u>.

## Summary

In keeping with our commitment of promoting continuous quality improvement for services provided to HAP CareSource™ health plan members, HAP CareSource has entered into an agreement with Evolent (formerly National Imaging Associates, Inc.) to implement a Medical Specialty Solutions program. This program includes prior authorization of non-emergent, advanced outpatient imaging and related services for HAP CareSource members. The decision to implement this program is consistent with industry-wide efforts to ensure clinically appropriate quality of care and to manage the increasing utilization of these services.

#### **Impact**

Prior authorization will be required for the following outpatient procedures:

- CT/CTA
- MRI/MRA
- PET Scan
- MUGA Scan
- Nuclear Stress Test
- Echocardiography

#### Please note:

- The ordering physician is responsible for obtaining authorization prior to rendering the above-listed services.
- Providers rendering the services listed above should verify that the necessary authorization has been obtained by visiting <u>RadMD.com</u> or by calling Evolent at **1-800-327-0641**. Failure to do so may result in nonpayment of your claim.
- Emergency room, observation and inpatient procedures do not require authorization.

#### **Importance**

Under terms of the agreement between HAP CareSource and Evolent, HAP CareSource will oversee the Evolent program and continue to be responsible for claims adjudication. Evolent will manage the Medical Specialty Solutions services listed below through HAP CareSource existing contractual relationships.

Based on a November 1, 2024, implementation, this correspondence serves as notice of changes to the program. Providers may begin contacting Evolent on November 1, 2024 to seek prior authorization for procedures scheduled on or after November 1, 2024.

### Questions?

We will provide additional information as we get closer to the implementation date. If you have questions, please contact HAP CareSource Provider Services department at **1-833-230-2102**.

We appreciate your support and look forward to working with you to ensure that HAP CareSource members receive quality, clinically appropriate care.

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