

## Essential Information

**Applicability:** Star, Star+Plus, Medicare-Medicaid Dual Demonstration

Essential Information is defined by the [Uniform Managed Care Manual 3.22](#) as the information required to initiate the prior authorization (PA) review process:

- Member name
- Member number or Medicaid number
- Member date of birth
- Requesting provider name
- Requesting provider's National Provider Identifier (NPI)
- Service requested - Current Procedural Terminology (CPT), Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS), or Current Dental Terminology (CDT)
- Service requested start and end date(s)
- Quantity of service units requested based on the CPT, HCPCS, or CDT requested.

This list of Essential Information does not change the use of the current prior authorization request form showing needed fields to process the prior authorization request.