

Rule No. 560-X-18-.03ER Prior Authorization

(1) All nonemergency ambulance service rendered to eligible Alabama Medicaid recipients 100 miles or more one way where medical care is received, requires prior authorization, except that during the time prescribed by the governor as a State of Emergency due to the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic, but only in strict accordance with the April 1, 2020 provider Alert with subject line “Waiver for Ambulance Providers during COVID-19 Emergency” and any successor Alert or amendment thereto,- all participating providers will no longer be required to receive prior authorization in order to perform the services listed in this Chapter.

(2) All requests for prior authorization by the attending physicians or their representatives will be directed to Medicaid’s Fiscal Agent.

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Statutory Authority: State Plan, Attachment 3.1-A, Page 9.24 and Attachment 3.1-D, Pages 1 and 2; 42 CFR Section 401, et seq.; and Title XIX, Social Security Act.

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