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Mississippi State and School Employees' Health Insurance Plan Prior Authorization Statistics

Management of best-in-class care aligned with ensuring the medical necessity and medical appropriateness of healthcare services is an important responsibility of the Mississippi State and School Employees' Health Insurance Plan to ensure the sustainability of affordable healthcare coverage.

A list of all healthcare services for which these prior authorization reviews are performed by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi as the Third Party Administrator for the Mississippi State and School Employees' Health Insurance Plan has been available on Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi's website since July 1, 2024.

The following statistics are for prior authorization reviews from January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, performed by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi as the Third Party Administrator for the Mississippi State and School Employees' Health Insurance Plan.

- Only 0.01% of all claims submitted went through a prior authorization review.
- 96.33% of all standard prior authorization requests were approved [aggregated for all items and services].
- 3.67% of all standard prior authorization requests were denied [aggregated for all items and services].
- Zero prior authorization appeals were received [aggregated for all items and services].
- .92% of prior authorization requests were approved when the timeframe for review was extended [aggregated for all items and services].
- Zero expedited prior authorization requests were received [aggregated for all items and services].
- Zero expedited prior authorization requests were denied [aggregated for all items and services].



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- The average time between submission of a standard review request and a decision was 1.21 days.
- The median time between submission of a standard review request and a decision was .90 days.
- Zero expedited review requests were received; therefore, no average or median time is reportable.