

SHARP Health Plan

Medicare Advantage

Request for Continuity of Care

Purpose

Fill out this form if you would like to request continuity of care services. Continuity of care means you receive continued services, under certain conditions, with your current health care provider until your health care provider completes your care.

Instructions

Newly Enrolled Sharp Health Plan Members:

You may receive continuity of care services in the following situations:

1. When you are currently receiving care from a non-Sharp Health Plan provider and are in an active course of treatment.
 - For purposes of this care the following definitions apply:
 - **Course of treatment** means as a prescribed order or ordered course of treatment for a specific individual with a specific condition is outlined and decided upon ahead of time with the patient and provider. A course of treatment may but is not required to be part of a treatment plan.
 - **Active course of treatment** means a course of treatment in which a patient is actively seeing the provider and following the course of treatment.

Submit

Please submit a separate form for each provider. Incomplete forms will be returned and delay processing of your request. Please submit your finished form(s) by mail, in person or by fax:



By Mail or In Person:
Attention: Medical Management
8520 Tech Way, Suite 200
San Diego, CA 92123



By Fax:
Attention: Medical Management
(619) 740-8111

Patient Treatment Information		
Patient name:	ID#:	Birth date (MM/DD/YY): (/ /)
Relationship to subscriber: <input type="checkbox"/> Self <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Son <input type="checkbox"/> Daughter <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify)		
Condition currently being treated:		
Treatment received for condition:		
Requested Provider Information		
Name:	Specialty:	
Address:		
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
Phone number: ()	Fax number: ()	
Provider NPI#:	Date of last visit (MM/DD/YY): (/ /)	
Do you have an appointment scheduled? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, what is the date of your appointment? (MM/DD/YY): (/ /)		
Did you have surgery in the past year or have a surgery scheduled? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, specify the surgery and date (MM/DD/YY): (/ /)		
Expected due date (if applicable, MM/DD/YY): (/ /)	Hospital (if applicable):	
Subscriber and Plan Information		
Subscriber name:	Effective date with Sharp Health Plan (MM/DD/YY): (/ /)	Birth date (MM/DD/YY): (/ /)
Home address:		
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
Home phone number: ()	Work phone number: ()	
May we call you at: <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Work		
Current employer:	Name of prior insurance:	

Authorization for use or disclosure of health information

By completing this document, you authorize the disclosure and/or use of your individually identifiable health information, as set forth below, consistent with California and Federal law concerning the privacy of such information. Failure to provide all information may invalidate this authorization.

Use and disclosure of protected health information

I hereby authorize _____ (Name of Physician or Health Care Provider) to furnish to Sharp Health Plan medical records and information pertaining to medical history, condition, services renders, or treatment of _____ (Name of Patient). This authorization applies to the following information (check one box only):

- All health information including diagnosis, providers, treatments, and drugs
- Only limited information

Specify type of information: _____

Specify date range (MM/DD/YY to MM/DD/YY): _____

Federal and State laws require us to obtain specific authorization to release especially sensitive information. Sensitive information is defined as treatment or documentation related to HIV and AIDS test results, psychiatric care, and treatment for alcohol or drug abuse. We will automatically try to exclude these types of information unless you specifically identify them for release. Please check below if you authorize Sharp Health Plan to release any or all of the following sensitive information.

I also specifically authorize the release of the following types of sensitive information (check boxes for all that apply):

- Psychiatric Care
- Substance Abuse Treatment
- HIV and AIDS Test Results

Expiration

This authorization will expire on (MM/DD/YY): (____ / ____ / ____)

If no expiration date is selected, this document will be in effect until I send a written request to revoke this authorization.

Notice of rights and other information

- I may refuse to sign this authorization.
- I may revoke this authorization at any time by notifying Sharp Health Plan in writing. My revocation will be effective upon receipt but will not be effective to the extent that others have acted in reliance upon this authorization.
- I have a right to receive a copy of this authorization.
- I understand that Sharp Health Plan will not condition treatment, payment, enrollment or eligibility for benefits on my providing or refusing to provide this authorization, except under limited circumstances described in the Notice of Privacy Practices.
- I understand information disclosed pursuant to this authorization could be re-disclosed by the recipient and might not be protected by federal confidentiality law (HIPAA). However, California law prohibits the person receiving my health information from making further disclosure of it unless another authorization for such disclosure is obtained from me or unless such disclosure is specifically required or permitted by law.
- I may inspect or obtain a copy of the health information that I am authorizing for use or disclosure.
- I understand that Sharp Health Plan may not use or disclose my PHI other than for the purposes described on this form unless another authorization is obtained from me or unless such use or disclosure is specifically required or permitted by law.
- I hereby release Sharp Health Plan from any and/all liability that may arise from the release of this information to the party named on this form.
- **I understand that this request for Continuity of Care Benefits will be reviewed by Sharp Health Plan through its regular and appropriate utilization review process, and administered consistent with my Sharp Health Plan benefit plan. I will receive written approval or denial of this request from Sharp Health Plan. I understand that the requested services are not approved by Sharp Health Plan unless specifically authorized in writing. I also understand that if my request is denied, I have the right to appeal that decision.**

Patient name:

Patient signature:

Date (MM/DD/YY):

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Internal use only

Date received (MM/DD/YY): (/ /)