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Federal Employee Program.

<b>Prior Authorization Request Form</b>		<i><b>Bariatric Surgery</b></i>		
<b>Fax Number:</b> 1 (855) 895-3504		<b>Phone Number:</b> 1 (800) 633-4581		
<b>Use AuthAccel - Blue Shield's online authorization system</b> - to complete, submit, attach documentation, track status, and receive determinations for both medical and pharmacy authorizations. Visit <b>Provider Connection</b> ( <a href="http://www.blueshieldca.com/provider">www.blueshieldca.com/provider</a> ) and click the <b>Authorizations</b> tab to get started.				
<b>Notice:</b> The Federal Employee Program has a 15 Day turn-around time on all Prior Authorization Requests according to the Blue Cross Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan. Failure to complete this form in its entirety may result in delayed processing or an adverse determination for insufficient information.				
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>New Request</b> For <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Modification</b> Or <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Extension</b> Requests Complete the Section Below:				
Date Last Authorized:		Previous Authorization Number:		
MD/NP/PA justification for modification or Extension:				
<b>Patient Information:</b>				
First Name:		Last Name:		
Date of Birth:		ID Number:		
<b>Referring/Prescribing Provider:</b>				
Name:		Tax ID:	NPI:	
Street Address + Suite #:				
City:	State:	Zip:	Phone:	Fax:
Type of Provider: <input type="checkbox"/> PCP <input type="checkbox"/> Specialist Type:				
<b>Servicing/Billing: Provider/Vendor/Lab</b> <i>If Referring or Prescribing Provider are the Same Check Here</i> <input type="checkbox"/>				
Name:		Tax ID:	NPI:	
Street Address + Suite #:				
City:	State:	Zip:	Phone:	Fax:
Specialist Type:			Contact Name:	

<b>If Servicing Provider is billing as part of a Group Contract enter the Group Name and Address:</b>				
Group Name:		Tax ID:		NPI:
Street Address + Suite #:				
City:		State:		Zip:
<b>Billing Facility (If Applicable):</b>				
Facility Name:		Tax ID:		NPI:
Street Address + Suite #:				
City:		State:	Zip:	Phone:
				Fax:
Contact Name:				
Anticipated Date of Service:			If Lab, Draw Date:	
<b>Place of Service: (Check One Box Only or If typing replace box with an "X"):</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Group Home		<input type="checkbox"/> Nursing Facility	
<input type="checkbox"/> Acute Rehab	<input type="checkbox"/> Home		<input type="checkbox"/> Off Campus OP Hosp	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ambulance- Air or Water	<input type="checkbox"/> Hospice		<input type="checkbox"/> PHP	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ambulance-Land	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent Clinic		<input type="checkbox"/> RTC – Psychiatric	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ambulatory Surgical Center	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent Laboratory		<input type="checkbox"/> RTC – SUD	
<input type="checkbox"/> Assisted Living Facility	<input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient Hospital		<input type="checkbox"/> Skilled Nursing Facility	
<input type="checkbox"/> Birthing Center	<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate Care Facility		<input type="checkbox"/> Telehealth	
<input type="checkbox"/> Custodial Care Facility	<input type="checkbox"/> IOP		<input type="checkbox"/> Urgent Care Facility	
<input type="checkbox"/> End Stage Renal Disease Tx	<input type="checkbox"/> IP Psychiatric Facility		<input type="checkbox"/> Other - Please Specify:	
<b>Please enter all codes requested; unlisted codes must have a description.</b>				
<b>Please include the quantity for each code requested and if applicable, left, right or bilateral designations.</b>				
ICD-10 Code(s):				
CPT/HCPC Code(s):				
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**Please provide the following documentation:**

**History and physical and/or consultation notes**

**including:**

- Prior weight loss attempts and responses (office notes/progress notes)
- Diagnosis of obesity times 2 years prior to surgery (BMI =/ >40 or =/>35 w/one or more co-morbidities)
- Participation in a medically supervised weight loss program, including nutritional counseling for at least 3 months prior to the date of surgery \* Pre-operative nutritional assessment and nutritional counseling about pre- and post-operative
- Evidence that attempts at weight loss in the 1 year period prior to surgery have been ineffective

- Psychological clearance of the members ability to understand and adhere to the pre- and post-operative program, based on a psychological assessment performed by a licensed professional mental health practitioner
- Member has not smoked in the 6 months prior to surgery
- Member has not been treated for substance abuse for 1 year prior to surgery and there is no evidence of substance abuse during the 1 year period prior to the surgery
- Other pertinent multidisciplinary notes/reports: (e.g., psychological or psychiatric evaluation, physical therapy, multidisciplinary pain management) when applicable.

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