

## Fax Back Form for Radiation Oncology Services

(IMRT, Proton, SRS, SBRT, Brachytherapy, and Conventional 3D – including IGRT when applicable)

For pre service authorization, please fax this form back to fax# 844-807-8997.

For post service claim review, please fax this form back to fax# 855-808-8601.

Any high-quality color images such as DVHs should be **securely** emailed to <u>PART-CISD@blueshieldca.com</u>

Please include the patient's name and date of birth

BSC Mail: P.O. Box 629005 El Dorado Hills, CA 95762-9005

Use **AuthAccel** - Blue Shield's online authorization system - to complete, submit, attach documentation, track status, and receive determinations for both medical and pharmacy authorizations. Visit Provider Connection (<a href="www.blueshieldca.com/provider">www.blueshieldca.com/provider</a>) and click the Authorizations tab to get started.

**Notice**: BSC has a 5 Business Day turn-around time on all Prior Authorization Requests. Failure to complete this form in its entirety may result in delayed processing or an adverse determination for insufficient information.

If you received a paper copy of this form and you prefer to answer electronically, please scan this code:



We are sending you this form in response to a health reimbursement claim or prior authorization (PA) request we recently received from you. Below is a list of the pertinent information needed for processing the claim/prior authorization request:

Patient Information					
Subscriber Number					
Patient Account Number					
Full Name					
Date of Birth					
Primary Diagnosis					
*This claim# (or PA req. #):					

Provider Information							
	Professional	Facility (if applicable)					
Name		Name					
Address		Address					
Phone No.		Phone No.					
Fax No.		Fax No.					
NPI		NPI					
Office Contact		Office Contact					
Person		Person					

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Please note that we request that claims for all **related services** be sent to us as a (complete) **single claim** after the entire course of treatment is ended, including planned boost treatments. *Related services* in this context mean all radiation oncology services of a single patient, by a single healthcare team, for a particular primary diagnosis. Coverage is often dependent on the combination of service codes (CPT/HCPCS) or the number of units of a service that are claimed and documented. Completion of this form as a **single claim** noting all the units provided will help to ensure accurate and timely payment. This form needs to be filled out for each claim submitted, and if more than one claim is submitted it may result in errors or delays due to billing guidelines. Partial submissions will therefore usually result in a request for more information (LOI or Lack of Information letter) to ensure accurate processing. Given our recommendation, please select how you wish to proceed:

	Option A: We wish to withdraw the processing of *this partial claim. We will instead submit a single claim that includes either the full course of treatment or all remaining treatments (if some have already been submitted) at a later time. Related claims that were previously submitted to Blue Shield of California will not be canceled due to the withdrawal request of *this claim.
	Option B: Please proceed to process *this claim.
	This is a partial claim (representing only a portion of the radiation oncology services rendered by this provider for this course of treatment). Note that coding errors can occur when submitted with multiple partial claims and requests for additional information are common as a result
	<ul> <li>This is a complete claim (representing all radiation oncology services rendered by this provider for this course of treatment)</li> </ul>
	3. All services being claimed were prior authorized and there are no changes
	4. Changes need to be made from what was prior authorized. Only the changes are noted below.
	<b>Option C</b> : We want to obtain prior authorization (for IMRT or Proton only; DVHs are usually required, see bottom for details). Note that at this time prior authorization is only required for the type of therapy. 3D-CRT, brachytherapy and SRS/SBRT do not require prior authorization. All claims will be reviewed post service for individual CPT codes and number of units, but reviews will be made when requested for all codes submitted for prior authorization.
	☐ IMRT
	☐ Proton
	Signature: DATE:
	Authorized representative name:
	If you chose option A or option B3, please only sign the first page of this document and return it to us (fax number located at the top of the first page). There is no need to fill in the bottom portion for now.
	If you chose option B1, B2, or B4, please continue to fill in the rest of this document as appropriate (pages 1-11) and return it to us (fax number located at the top of the first page).
	<b>If you chose option C</b> , please sign the first page of this document and return it to us (fax number located at the top of the first page) along with color DVHs when required. There is no requirement to fill in the bottom portion completely for prior authorization. What will typically be covered without additional documentation is noted in the table below. The entire form will need to be completed post service at the time of submitting a claim.
	note the type and location of the cancer being treated below: rs can affect the treatment plan or number of units allowed)
_	Type of cancer:
_	Location of cancer:
_	ICD 10 Primary Diagnosis Code:

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## Please indicate the type of radiation therapy being requested or provided (check all that apply):

	Inree-almensional conformal radiation therapy (3D CRT)
	Intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT)
	Intraoperative radiotherapy (IORT); for rectal cancer only
	Proton
	Brachytherapy
	o High-dose rate (HDR)
	o Low-dose rate (LDR)
	<ul> <li>Boost (separate from External Beam Radiation Therapy, or other claim)</li> </ul>
	Stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS)
	Stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT)
This fo	ux back form does not address the following radiation therapy treatments:  Electronic Brachytherapy
	e indicate if this request is related to professional fees only, facility only or both e include modifiers -26 or -TC as appropriate in the form below)
	Professional only
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Site o	f Service
	Hospital inpatient

## Background:

The information below indicates what is typically approved for various types of radiation therapy and what requires additional documentation. If additional units are requested beyond the *maximum allowable per standard course of treatment*, the reason for the need for those units must be clearly documented in the medical record, preferably in a separate note.

No prior authorization is needed for 3D CRT, brachytherapy or SRS/SBRT. At this time, only IMRT and proton cases need to have prior authorization for using that approach rather than 3D CRT. Specific codes and numbers of units can be requested for prior authorization or reviewed post-service since the treatment may change during the course of therapy. However, the codes and the typical number of units that would be allowed without additional documentation are noted below.

Blue Shield of California reserves the right to review all claims, including the medical records submitted to verify the submitted form and physician statement of medical necessity.

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For internal use only, EPS number:

Service Code	Modifier	Maximum allowable	# Units for Prior Auth	# Units Already Paid	# Units Billed	DOS/Date Range
Please check the box provided for performed services. Usually, only one of the code choices should be checked when there are more than one on a single line/box except Treatment Devices.	(If applicable, particularly -26 or -TC)	Per standard course of treatment** – see <u>BSC8.06</u> <u>Radiation Oncology</u>		From previous claims (if applicable)	Number of Unit(s) being claimed or requested per CPT/HCPCS for reimbursement with this submission	Please use the mm/dd/yyyy format. A date range on the first line only is acceptable if the submission is for the entire course of treatment.
IGRT □ 77014 (CT) □ 77387 (any) □ G6001 (stereotactic) □ G6002 (US)		Facility fee (TC) included with delivery codes 77385 and 77386 for IMRT. Professional portion allowed for up to 1 unit for each delivery session when provided. 77387 and G6017 are for pro fee only. Others need -26 modifier for approval.				
Clinical Treatment Planning  77261 77262 77263		3D CRT = 1* IMRT = 1* IORT = 1* Proton = 1* Brachy = 1* SRS = 1* (77263 only) SBRT = 1* (77263 only)				
Simulation    77280   77285   77290  Extra unit allowed for external beam boost on different DOS only		Using 3D CRT plan (77295): 3D = 1*: +1 boost IMRT = 0 IORT = 1* Proton = 1* (77290 only) +1 boost Brachy HDR = 5* SRS/SBRT = 1*  Using IMRT plan (77301): 3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy HDR = 0 SRS/SBRT = 0				
Verification Simulation  ☐ 77280  Extra unit allowed for external beam boost on different DOS only		Using 3D CRT plan (77295):  3D CRT = 1*  IMRT = 0  IORT = 1  Proton = 1*  Brachy HDR = 5*  3D CRT EBRT Boost = +1*  SRS/SBRT = 1*  Using IMRT plan (77301):  3D CRT = 0  IMRT = 0  IORT = 0  Proton = 0  Brachy HDR = 0  3D CRT EBRT Boost = 0  SRS/SBRT = 0				

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Respiratory Motion Management 77293		1 for breast, lung, and upper abdominal cancer (thoracic areas)  Otherwise: 3D CRT = 0* IMRT = 0* IORT = 0* Proton = 0* Brachy = 0* SRS = 0* SBRT = 0*				
3D CRT Plan ☐ 77295 Not allowed along with 77301		3D CRT = 1* IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 1* Brachy = 1 per insertion, max 5* SRS/SBRT = 1*				
Basic Dosimetry Calculation ☐ 77300 Extra unit allowed for external beam boost		O if billed with 77306, 77307, 77316, 77317, 77318, 77321, 77767, 77768, 77770, 77771, 77772, O394T or O395T  3D CRT = 4*; +1 boost IMRT = 4*; +1 boost IORT = 4*; +1 boost Proton = 4*; +1 boost Brachy = 0 except when using 77295 then up to 4 SRS = 4* SBRT = 4*  Note: While 4 units (+1 for boost) is typical, it can be more in some cases such as head/neck, prostate or Hodgkin's when up to 8 or more may be needed				
IMRT Plan □ 77301 Not allowed along with 77295		3D CRT = 0 (use 77295) IMRT = 1* IORT = 0 Proton = 1* Brachy = 0 (use 77316, 77317, 77318, or 77295) SRS = 1* SBRT = 1*				

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Teletherapy Isodose Plan □ 77306 □ 77307		1* for mid-Tx change in volume/contour  Using 3D CRT plan (77295): 3D CRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 SRS/SBRT = 0 Brachy = 0  Using IMRT plan (77301): IMRT = 0 IORT = 1 Proton = 0 SRS/SBRT = 0				
Brachytherapy Isodose Plan  77316 77317 77318 Can use 77295 instead but not together		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 1 per insertion, max 5 (cannot be billed in addition to 77295) SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				
Special Teletherapy Port Plan  77321 Mainly for electron plans, not to be used with 77306/77307, 77295 or 77301; needs documentation for review		Using 3D CRT plan (77295): 3D CRT = 0* IMRT = 0* IORT = 0* Proton = 0* Brachy = 0* SRS = 0* SBRT = 0*  Using IMRT plan (77301): 3D CRT = 0* IMRT = 0* IORT = 0* Proton = 0* Brachy = 0* SRS = 0* SBRT = 0* SRS = 0* SBRT = 0*				
Special Dosimetry Calculation ☐ 77331 Needs documentation for review		3D CRT = 0* IMRT = 0* IORT = 0* Proton = 0* Brachy = 0* SRS = 0* SBRT = 0*				

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Treatment Devices, Designs and Construction  77332 77333 77334 Note number of units for each CPT code requested		If Billed w/ MLC (77338):  3D CRT = 1* IMRT = 1* IORT = 0* Proton = 1* Brachy = 0 SRS = 1* SBRT = 1*  Without MLC (any combination of): 3D CRT = 5* IMRT = 5* IORT = 0 Proton = 5* Brachy = 0 SRS = 5* SBRT = 5*				
Continuing Medical Physics Consultation 77336		3D CRT = 8 IMRT = 8 IORT = 0 Proton = 8 Brachy = 0 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0 (1 for every 5 radiation therapy				
Multi-leaf Collimater (MLC) □ 77338		delivery sessions)  3D CRT = 1* IMRT = 1* if using 77385/77386 for delivery. IMRT = 0 if using G6015/G6016 delivery IORT = 0 Proton = 1* Brachy = 0 SRS = 1* SBRT = 1*				
Special Rad. Physics Consult  77370 Needs documentation for review		3D CRT = 0* IMRT = 0* IORT = 0* Proton = 0* Brachy = 0* SRS = 0* SBRT = 0*				
SRS Delivery, Cobalt 60 ☐ 77371 1 or more lesions, one session only		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 0 SRS = 1*, 0 with 77372 or 77373 SBRT = 0				

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SRS Delivery, LINAC □ 77372 1 or more lesions, one session only		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 0 SRS = 1*, 0 with 77371 or 77373 SBRT = 0				
SBRT Delivery ☐ 77373 1 or more lesions, per session up to 5		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 0 SRS = 0 SBRT = 5* (one for each session planned, max 5)				
IMRT Delivery ☐ 77385 ☐ 77386 Outpatient- freestanding: ☐ G6015 ☐ G6016 (compensator)		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 28* for prostate cancer; 16* for breast cancer without boost; 24 for breast cancer with boost; no limits otherwise IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 0 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				
3D CRT Delivery  □ 77402 □ 77407  □ 77412 □ G6003  □ G6004 □ G6005  □ G6006 □ G6007  □ G6008 □ G6009  □ G6010 □ G6011  □ G6012 □ G6013  □ G6014		3D CRT = 16* for breast cancer without boost; 24 for breast cancer with boost; no limits otherwise IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 0 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				
Intraoperative Radiation Treatment Delivery, x-ray, single treatment session  77424 For rectal cancer only		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 1 Proton = 0 Brachy = 0 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				
Intraoperative Radiation Treatment Delivery, electrons, single treatment session  77425 For rectal cancer only		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 1 Proton = 0 Brachy = 0 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				

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Radiation Treatment Management 77427		3D CRT = 8 (1 for every 5 RT delivery sessions) IMRT = 8 (1 for every 5 RT delivery sessions) IORT = 0 Proton = 8 (1 for every 5 RT delivery sessions) Brachy = 0 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				
SRS Treatment Management  77432		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 0 SRS = 1* SBRT = 0				
SBRT Treatment Management 177435		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 0 SRS = 0 SBRT = 1				
Intraoperative Radiation Treatment Management  77469 For rectal cancer only		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 1 Proton = 0 Brachy = 0 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				
Special MD Consultation (Special Tx Procedure)  ☐ 77470 Needs documentation for review		3D CRT = 0* IMRT = 0* IORT = 0* Proton = 0* Brachy = 1* SRS = 0* SBRT = 0*				
Proton Delivery ☐ 77520 (non- compensator) ☐ 77522 (compensator) ☐ 77523 (compensator) ☐ 77525 (compensator)		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 28* for prostate cancer; no limits otherwise Brachy = 0 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				
Application of Radiation Sources: LDR Brachytherapy  77761 77762 77763 77778		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 1 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				

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Application of Radiation Sources: HDR Brachytherapy  77770 777771		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 4 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				
Supervision, Handling, Loading of Radiation Source		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 1 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				
High Dose Rate Electronic Brachytherapy, per fraction □ 0394T (skin, melanoma only) □ 0395T (intracavitary such as IORT)		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 1 Proton = 0 Brachy = 0 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				
Placement of Radiotherapy Afterloading Catheters  □ 19296 □ 19297 □ 19298		3D CRT = 0 IMRT = 0 IORT = 0 Proton = 0 Brachy = 1 SRS = 0 SBRT = 0				
□ (other)						
□ (other)		CDT. Three dimensional conformal				

IGRT: Image-guided radiation therapy; 3D CRT: Three-dimensional conformal radiation therapy; IMRT: Intensity-modulated radiation therapy; Proton: Proton beam radiation therapy; Brachy: Brachytherapy; HDR: High-dose rate; SRS: Stereotactic radiosurgery; SBRT: Stereotactic body radiation therapy; EBRT: External beam radiation therapy; TX: Treatment

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<sup>\*</sup>More than the maximum per standard course of treatment may be considered medically necessary but requires medical record support for additional units

<sup>\*\*</sup>The **maximum per standard course of treatment** column represents what is allowed under typical circumstances. Many of the services allow for additional units per course of treatment but require the need for those extra units be supported in the medical records submitted. No additional documentation is needed if the number of units claimed does not exceed the standard allowance.



Please fax the medical records requested and completed form as applicable to Fax# 855-808-8601.

Medical Records (ALL REQUESTS)
☐ History and physical and/or consultation notes including:
☐ Clinical findings (i.e., pertinent symptoms and duration)
$\square$ Reason for treatment including type and location of tumor
☐ Pertinent past procedural and surgical history including prior radiation therapy
$\square$ Documentation of the need for additional units beyond the standard number allowed
(CPT/HCPCS)
□ Color Dose Volume Histograms (DVHs) comparing 3-D to IMRT or IMRT to Proton, when applicable (for most IMRT/proton cases if not
already sent and prior authorized). DVHs are NOT needed when using 3D or the following types of IMRT/Proton cases only:
o IMRT Prostate
o IMRT Head (other than brain) and neck (other than thyroid)
o IMRT or Proton Pediatric CNS tumors
o IMRT anus or anal canal
o Conventional 3-D only cases (no IMRT or Proton requested)
$\square$ Treatment plan or summary including any brachytherapy, total dose and total fractions/# of treatments
☐ Results/reports of other relevant tests performed
☐ Procedure report(s) as applicable
Any high-quality color images should be securely emailed to <a href="mailto:PART-CISD@blueshieldca.com">PART-CISD@blueshieldca.com</a> . In the email to
PART-CISD@blueshieldca.com, please include the patient's name, date of birth, member ID, and reference number (if available).

The materials provided to you are guidelines used by this plan to authorize, modify, or deny care for persons with similar illness or conditions. Specific care and treatment may vary depending on individual need and the benefits covered under your contract. These Policies are subject to change as new information becomes available.

If you have any questions or require assistance in completing this form, please contact a Blue Shield Provider Liaison at 800-258-3091. Additional information is available at **blueshieldca.com/provider**.

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