Customer Appeal Request



An appeal is a request to change a previous adverse decision made by Cigna. You or your representative (Including a physician on your behalf) may appeal the adverse decision related to your coverage.

STEP 1:

Contact Cigna's Customer Service Department at the toll-free number listed on the back of your ID card to review any adverse coverage determinations/payment reductions. We may be able to resolve your issue quickly outside of the formal appeal process. If a Customer Service representative cannot change the initial coverage decision, he or she will advise you of your right to request an appeal.

STEP 2:

Complete and mail this form and/or appeal letter along with any supporting documentation to the address identified below. Complete and accurate preparation of your appeal will help us perform a timely and thorough review. In most cases your appeal should be submitted within 180 days, but your particular benefit plan may allow a longer period.

You will receive an appeal decision in writing.

REQUESTS FOR AN APPEAL SHOULD INCLUDE:

- 1. If you submit a letter without a copy of the Customer Appeal form, please specify in your letter this is a "Customer Appeal". Please include all the information that is requested on this form.
- 2. A copy of the original claim and explanation of payment (EOP), explanation of benefit (EOB), or initial adverse decision letter, if applicable.
- 3. Any documentation supporting your appeal. For adverse decisions based upon lack of medical necessity, additional documentation may include a statement from your healthcare professional or facility describing the service or treatment and any applicable medical records.

Cigna Participant Name (Last)		(First)		(MI)	Participant ID #		
Employer Name				Account Number (from Cigna ID card)			
Patient Last Name (F		(First)	(First)		Date of Birth	State of Residence	
Health Care Professional or Facility Name)				Is Health Care Professional Contracted? ☐ Yes ☐ No			
Date of Service	Procedure/Type of Service	edure/Type of Service			m Number/Document Control Number		
Appeal is being filed	l by:						
Participant	Primary Care Physician	Specialist/Ancillary Physi	ician Health Care Facil	lity			
Other Represent	tative (Indicate relationship to P	articipant):					
Name of person filling out the form					Today's Date		
Signature					1		
Home Phone #			Business Phone #				
Have you already re	ceived services?						
If no, and these serv	ices require prior authorization,	we will resolve your appeal rec	quest for coverage as quickly as	possible,	within 30 calendar d	ays.	

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If allowed by your Plan, is this a second appeal or external review	ew request? Yes No
Please check off the selection that best describes your appeal:	
Request for in-network coverage	
Coverage Exclusion or Limitation	
Maximum Reimbursable Amount	
Inpatient Facility Denial (Level of Care, Length of Stay)	
Mutually Exclusive, Incidental procedure code denials	
Additional reimbursement to your out of network health care pro	ofessional for a procedure code modifier
Experimental/Investigational Procedure	
☐ Medical Necessity	
☐ Timely Claim Filing(without proof)	
Benefits reduced due to re-pricing of billed procedures (Viant, Be	eech Street, Multiplan, etc.)
Reason why you believe the adverse coverage decision was incor As a reminder, please attach any supporting documentation (for documentation from your health care professional or facility).	
Additional Comments:	
Refer to your ID card to determine the appeal address to use below.	
Mail the completed Appeal Request Form or Appeal Letter along wit	th all supporting documentation to the address below:
Cigna Appeals Unit C	f the ID card indicates: <u>GW - Cigna Network</u> iigna Appeals Unit P.O. Box 188062

IMPORTANT: This address is intended only for appeals of coverage denials. Any other requests sent to this address will be forwarded to the appropriate Cigna location, which may result in a delay in handling your request or processing your claim.

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