

To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

Date: September 27, 2021

Subject: Informational Bulletin 21-19: Physician Administered Medication Policy (revised September 22, 2021)

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AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana maintains a Preferred Drug List (PDL) established by the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH). The PDL indicates the preferred and non-preferred status of covered drugs. All non-preferred medications will require prior authorization. AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana utilizes LDH's prior authorization criteria. Please visit the website for a complete list of preferred products at <https://ldh.la.gov/assets/HealthyLa/Pharmacy/PDL.pdf>.

Effective October 27, 2021, Physician administered medication that are included on the PDL have the same preferred status and prior authorization criteria as the PDL, even when billed and paid as a medical benefit.

Please direct requests for prior authorization medications to AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana PerformRx Pharmacy Services at 1-800-684-5502 or fax to 1-855-452-9131.

This information will update in the [Provider Handbook](#) by **October 15, 2021**. Please review [IB 21-19](#) for full details.

Questions regarding this message should be directed to AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Provider Services at 1-888-922-0007. The Provider Services Department can be reached between 7:00 am and 7:00 pm daily.

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