



Provider Newsbrief – April 5, 2021

Prior Auth required for PET scans

Beginning May 1, PET scans will require authorization for the following plans:

Banner – University Family Care (B-UFC/ACC)

Banner – University Care Advantage (B-UCA)

Banner – University Family Care/ALTCS (B-UFC/ALTCS)

Banner Medicare Advantage Prime HMO

Banner Medicare Advantage Plus PPO

Prior Authorization forms and grids can be found on the BUHP website (www.banneruhp.com) and on the Banner Medicare Advantage site (www.BannerMA.com) under **For Healthcare Providers**.

Seclusion and Restraint Reporting Requirement Reminder

As a reminder, you can find all Reporting requirements specified in the BUHP Behavior Health Provider Manual at: https://www.banneruhp.com/-/media/files/project/uahp/provider-manuals/buhp_comprehensive-provider-manual_11172020.ashx?la=en.

It is the policy of Banner University Health Plans to ensure that the organization and its providers have the necessary information to ensure **that Behavioral Health Inpatient Facilities (BHIFs) and Crisis Providers authorized to conduct Seclusion and Restraint** report to the proper authorities along as well as the Plan of all Seclusion and Restraints of plan members.

The use of seclusion and restraint can be high-risk behavioral health interventions; facilities should only implement these interventions when less restrictive and less intrusive approaches have failed. The Plan delineates these requirements, by reference, in contracts. **The Health Plan requires BHIFs to submit each individual reports of incidents of seclusion and restraint to the Plan within (5) five days of the incident utilizing AHCCCS Seclusion and Restraint Individual Reporting Form, please follow link below:**

Link to form: <https://www.azahcccs.gov/shared/Downloads/.../900/962a.pdf>

Please submit the completed form to BUHP via email at BUHPRequests@bannerhealth.com or FAX: 520-874-3567

The Health Plan also requires BHIFs and Crisis Facilities licensed to conduct Seclusion and Restraint, to report the total number of incidents of the use of Seclusion and Restraint involving AHCCCS members within 5 days of each Seclusion and Restraint and if there are no Seclusion and Restraints for the previous month report that to the Health Plan by the fifth calendar day of the following month.

The contractor is required to submit a separate Incident/Accident/Death (IAD) report for Seclusion and/or Restraints resulting in a reportable injury to the member, to the Plan and to the AHCCCS Quality Team. Contracted BHIFs and Crisis Providers Licensed to conduct Seclusion and Restraints must submit these IADs to AHCCCS and the Plan through the QM Portal within 48 hours of becoming aware of the incident via QM Portal Link: <https://qmportal.azahcccs.gov>.