



Providers must request authorization for initial admissions and recertification of admissions for rehabilitation centers (rehab), skilled nursing (SNF) and long-term acute care (LTAC) services. If you are a Louisiana provider, you are required to submit these requests via the BCBSLA Authorizations tool. Providers are encouraged to complete an **Admission and Recertification Request Form**, which is part of this guide. The form is available online at www.BCBSLA.com/providers >Resources.

1 Please check the box that best describes your request.

Please Choose Request Type

- Admission Request
 - Admitting from: Home Hospital
- Recertification Request

Admission Request is a request for authorization for a patient initially being admitted to a facility for treatment. Please specify if patient is being admitted from home or a hospital.

Recertification Request is an extension request of the initial admission authorization. This request must be within 24-hours prior to expiration of approved admission period.

2 Please check the type of admission for your request.

Please Choose One				
Admission Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient Rehab	Day Rehab: <input type="checkbox"/> Half <input type="checkbox"/> Full	<input type="checkbox"/> Skilled Nursing	<input type="checkbox"/> LTAC

Inpatient Rehab

Comprehensive array of restoration services for the physically disabled and all support services necessary to help patients attain their maximum functional capacity

Day Rehab

A program that provides greater than one (1) hour of rehabilitative care, upon discharge from an inpatient admission

Skilled Nursing Facility

Skilled nursing and/or rehabilitation services to patients who need a skilled level of medical care

LTAC

Nursing care and related services for individuals who require medical, nursing, rehabilitation or sub-acute care services for an extended period of time

3 **Member Information:** Please provide the member’s name, date of birth and Blue Cross member identification number. If the member also has other insurance, please include other insurance coverage carrier’s name and policy number. (All information should be exactly as it appears on the member’s ID card, including any prefixes or suffixes.)

4 **Requestor Information:** Please provide the admitting facility’s name and NPI number along with the name and phone number of the key contact person at the facility. Also provide the admitting physician’s first and last name and NPI number as well as the name and phone number of the key contact person for the admitting physician’s office.

5 **Clinical Information:** Please provide the admitting facility’s name and NPI number along with the name and phone number of the key contact person at the facility. Also provide the admitting physician’s first and last name and NPI number as well as the name and phone number of the key contact person for the admitting physician’s office.

6 **Discharge Plan:** Please provide applicable clinical information as requested on the form (front and back). Please provide any current physical, occupational and speech therapy notes that may apply.

- 7 **Once you have completed this form:**
1. In-state providers, upload to the member’s case through the BCBSLA Authorizations tool, available in iLinkBlue (www.BCBSLA.com/ilinkblue)
 2. Out-of-state providers, fax to 1-800-821-2740

If you have questions, please contact our Utilization Management Department at 1-800-523-6435.



Admission and Recertification Request

(Required for all Rehab, SNF, LTAC admits)

Please Choose One:

- Admission Request
Admitting from: Home Hospital
- Recertification Request

Submit all Recertification Requests at least 24 hours prior to end of approval period.

Date Submitted: _____

Use this form for admissions and recertifications for rehabilitation centers (rehab), skilled nursing (SNF) and long-term acute care (LTAC) services.

Submit form to obtain authorization. Additional documentation should be attached only if it provides information not on this form pertinent to the review request. Do not attach or send patient's entire medical record. All items must be legible and properly completed.

ADMISSION TYPE:

(Please Choose Only One) Inpatient Rehab Day Rehab: Full Half Skilled Nursing LTAC

MEMBER INFORMATION:

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____ DOB: _____ Member ID Number: _____
 Other Insurance Coverage Carrier: _____
 ID number: _____
 Medicare days exhausted: Yes No Date exhausted: _____

REQUESTOR INFORMATION:

Admitting Facility Name: _____ Facility NPI: _____ Location: _____
 Contact Name: _____ Contact Ph. Number: _____ Fax Number: _____
 Admitting Physician Name (First and Last): _____ Physician NPI: _____
 Contact Name: _____ Contact Ph. Number: _____

CLINICAL INFORMATION: (check all that apply)

- Medically stable for transfer Expectation of at least 25 days of continued care
- Minimum of one MD visit per day Frequent diagnostic testing including clinical assessment, laboratory and imaging
- Comorbids stabilizing Requires more intensive service than can be offered (or patient has failed) at lower levels of care

Admission Date: _____ Estimated Length of Stay: _____

Request LTAC Level of Care: ICU Acute Sub-acute

Admission Diagnosis code(s): _____

Presenting Signs/Symptoms or Clinical Status: _____

Admission Goals/Treatment Plan: _____

ADL'S (FIM SCORES)

_____ Bed Mobility _____ Sit to Stand _____ Supine to Sit
 _____ Bathing _____ UE Dress _____ LE Dress
 _____ Swallowing _____ Transfers _____ Bowel/Bladder
 _____ Ambulation _____ feet

Mental Status

Oriented Yes No
 Confused Yes No
 Follows Commands Yes No

Other (please specify): _____

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Respiratory Status/Treatments

- Continued requirement for mechanical ventilation after more than 3 weeks with more than 2 weaning failures in acute hospital Trach Chest Tube

- Requires ventilator and respiratory management at least every 4 hours

Vent Settings: _____

O2 Requirements: _____

Nebulizer tx's: _____

Wounds

- Extensive wounds requiring daily assessment, drain management, debridement or complex wound care
- Drains

Wound Care – type of wound(s): _____

Location of wound(s): _____

Descriptions of wound(s): _____

Frequency of wound care: _____

Diet

- Diet: Oral NG Tube Gastric Tube

Other

IV Fluids/TPN: _____

IV Medications: _____

PO Medications: _____

Procedures: _____

EKG/EEG: _____

Lab Results: _____

Radiology: _____

DISCHARGE PLAN:

- Home alone Rehab
- Home with home health Skilled Nursing Facility
- Home with DME Nursing Home
- Home with outpatient services Hospice

Potential barriers to discharge plan: _____

Additional Comments/Notes: _____

Upon discharge, supply caregiver information:

Name: _____

Contact Information: _____

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