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**Attention Provider Type 29 (Home Health Agency):**

**Private Duty Nursing (PDN) Services Policy Updated**

Effective December 28, 2018, Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 900 – Private Duty Nursing (PDN) has been updated to ensure compliance with federal requirements. Changes allow for PDN services to be provided in the recipient’s home or any setting where normal life activities occur. Prior authorization (PA) requirements for PDN have been added. Hours authorized will be the number of hours that are medically necessary to support required skilled interventions.

Providers are encouraged to review MSM Chapter 900 and the PDN definitions in the MSM Addendum. The MSM is posted on the [Division of Health Care Financing and Policy Medicaid Services Manual](#) webpage.

The Billing Guide for PT 29 has been updated to include instructions for PDN service authorizations and concurrent care billing instructions. The updated billing guide is posted on the [Providers Billing Information](#) webpage.

Prior authorization request forms Home Health Agency – Intermittent Services (FA-16A) and Home Health Agency – Private Duty Nursing (PDN) Services Only (FA-16B) have been updated to accommodate the PDN changes. The updated forms are posted on the [Providers Forms](#) webpage.