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Valid Dates for Prior Authorizations Using Revenue Codes

Providers who request review for an inpatient prior authorization (PA) using <u>revenue codes</u> are advised that the prior authorization is valid **to** the end date on the PA and not **through** the end date on the PA. Please also note the number of days that are authorized. The end date is considered the discharge date and is not reimbursed. When requesting concurrent review, the provider should therefore begin with the request for continued services with the authorized end date of the previous request and use <u>the same</u> PA number.

For example:

Revenue Code	Authorized PA BEGIN date	Authorized PA TO date	Number of Days Authorized
0124	3/1/2013	3/8/2013	7 days
0124	3/8/2013	3/13/2013	5 days