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REMINDER: AUTHORIZATIONS REQUIRED FOR OUT-OF-NETWORK OUTPATIENT SERVICES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020

Beginning January 1, 2020, Highmark requires authorization for outpatient services on the List of Procedures/DME Requiring Authorization when obtained from an out-of-network provider. This requirement applies to Highmark commercial products. Additional information was provided in a [Special eBulletin](#) last posted as a reminder on December 5, 2016.

The *Highmark Provider Manual's* [Chapter 5, Unit 2, Authorizations](#), has been updated to reflect these changes. Please see the section titled "Services Requiring Authorization." The *Highmark Provider Manual* can always be accessed by selecting **MANUALS** from the Quicklinks bar that spans across the top of the Provider Resource Center.