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HIGHMARK ADOPTS EVICORE'S 2019 CLINICAL GUIDELINES FOR MUSCULOSKELETAL SURGERY AND INTERVENTIONAL PAIN MANAGEMENT SERVICES PROGRAM

Highmark is adopting eviCore healthcare's (eviCore) 2019 evidence-based clinical guidelines for its Musculoskeletal (MSK) Surgery and Interventional Pain Management (IPM) Services prior authorization program, effective March 4, 2019.

eviCore manages prior authorizations for Highmark members with non-emergent conditions requiring MSK surgery or IPM services.

The MSK Surgery and IPM Services program includes prior authorization for non-emergent MSK surgeries, including inpatient and outpatient lumbar, cervical, and thoracic spinal surgeries, and hip, knee, and shoulder surgeries and related procedures. Prior authorizations are required for outpatient IPM services such as spinal injections, spinal denervations, and stimulators or pain pumps.

You can review eviCore's evidence-based MSK and IPM clinical guidelines by accessing eviCore's Highmark implementation site at evicore.com/healthplan/Highmark.

