

Musculoskeletal Management Program

On December 21, 2017 and again on January 17, 2018, you received communication regarding a program for non-emergent Musculoskeletal (MSK) procedures that was to be effective March 1, 2018. MVP Health Care[®] (MVP) has revised the implementation date of such pre-authorization requests to **April 1, 2018** pending regulatory approval.

To reiterate previous communications, MVP has entered into an agreement with Magellan Healthcare¹, to implement a MSK Management program. This program requires prior authorization for MVP members² for non-emergent MSK procedures including: outpatient, interventional spine pain management services (IPM); and inpatient and outpatient hip, knee, shoulder, lumbar and cervical spine surgeries.

MVP will oversee the MSK program and continue to be responsible for claims. Magellan Healthcare will manage the prior authorization of non-emergent outpatient interventional spine pain management services, and inpatient and outpatient MSK surgeries through the existing contractual relationships with MVP.

Providers can begin contacting Magellan Healthcare on **March 20, 2018** to seek prior authorization for procedures scheduled on or after **April 1, 2018**.

Should you have questions at this time, please contact the MVP Provider Services Department at **1-800-684-9286**.

Sincerely,

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Vice President of Medical Affairs



¹ National Imaging Associates, Inc. (NIA) is a subsidiary of Magellan Healthcare, Inc.

² Upon implementation of this program in 2018, this program will **not** include self-funded plans administered by MVP. Please follow the current procedure for obtaining authorizations for these members.