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Purpose:	Provider Bulletin: Neuropsychological/Psychological Testing Prior Authorization Changes
Subject:	Prior Authorization (PA) Updates
Products:	Medicaid / Florida Healthy Kids
From:	Provider Relations

Dear Providers,

Effective **April 1st, 2020**, Aetna Better Health of Florida will approve prior authorization requests for neuropsychological and psychological testing based upon the recommendations listed on the attached charts.

These limits will not apply to every treatment or diagnostic scenario. Additional time / units will be considered based upon submission of documentation to support the extra time / units required with the prior authorization request.

If you prefer a Behavioral Health specialist to perform the test, please contact our Behavioral Health partner, Beacon Health Options at 844-513-4954.

We appreciate the excellent care you provide to our members. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us via e-mail: FLMedicaidProviderRelations@Aetna.com. You can also fax us at 1-844-235-1340 or call us through our Provider Relations telephone line: 1-844-528-5815.

Thanks for all you do!

Provider Relations Department

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Psychological Testing

Code	Description	Recommendation
96130	Psychological testing evaluation services by physician or other qualified health care professional, including integration of patient data, interpretation of standardized test results and clinical data, clinical decision making, treatment planning and report, and interactive feedback to the patient, family member(s) or caregiver(s), when performed; first hour	1 Unit (1 hour)
96131	Psychological testing evaluation services by physician or other qualified health care professional, including integration of patient data, interpretation of standardized test results and clinical data, clinical decision making, treatment planning and report, and interactive feedback to the patient, family member(s) or caregiver(s), when performed; each additional hour (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	1 Unit (1 hour)
96136	Psychological or neuropsychological test administration and scoring by physician or other qualified health care professional, two or more tests, any method; first 30 minutes	1 unit (.5 hours)
96137	Psychological or neuropsychological test administration and scoring by physician or other qualified health care professional, two or more tests, any method; each additional 30 minutes (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	3 units (1.5 hours)
96138	Psychological or neuropsychological test administration and scoring by technician, two or more tests, any method; first 30 minutes	3 units (1.5 hours)
96139	Psychological or neuropsychological test administration and scoring by technician, two or more tests, any method; each additional 30 minutes (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	3 units (1.5 hours)
96146	Psychological or neuropsychological test administration, with single automated, standardized instrument via electronic platform, with automated result only	4 events per year

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Neuropsychological Testing

Code	Description	Recommendation
96116	Neurobehavioral status exam (clinical assessment of thinking, reasoning and judgment, eg, acquired knowledge, attention, language, memory, planning and problem solving, and visual spatial abilities), per hour of the psychologist's or physician's time, both face-to-face time with the patient and time interpreting test results and preparing the report	Refer to: <u>Tests by</u> <u>Name Document</u>
96121	Neurobehavioral status examination (clinical assessment of thinking, reasoning and judgment, [eg, acquired knowledge, attention, language, memory, planning and problem solving, and visual spatial abilities]), by physician or other qualified health care professional, both face-to-face time with the patient and time interpreting test results and preparing the report; each additional hour (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	Refer to: <u>Tests by</u> <u>Name Document</u>
96132	Neuropsychological testing evaluation services by physician or other qualified health care professional, including integration of patient data, interpretation of standardized test results and clinical data, clinical decision making, treatment planning and report and interactive feedback to the patient, family member(s) or caregiver(s), when performed; first hour	1 Unit (1 hour)
96133	Neuropsychological testing evaluation services by physician or other qualified health care professional, including integration of patient data, interpretation of standardized test results and clinical data, clinical decision making, treatment planning and report, and interactive feedback to the patient, family member(s) or caregiver(s), when performed; each additional hour (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	9 units (9 hours)
96136	Psychological or neuropsychological test administration and scoring by physician or other qualified health care professional, two or more tests, any method; first 30 minutes	1 unit (.5 hours)
96137	Psychological or neuropsychological test administration and scoring by physician or other qualified health care professional,	3 units (1.5 hours)

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	two or more tests, any method; each additional 30 minutes (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	
96138	Psychological or neuropsychological test administration and scoring by technician, two or more tests, any method; first 30 minutes	3 units (1.5 hours)
96139	Psychological or neuropsychological test administration and scoring by technician, two or more tests, any method; each additional 30 minutes (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	3 units (1.5 hours)
96146	Psychological or neuropsychological test administration, with single automated, standardized instrument via electronic platform, with automated result only	4 events per year

