

Read Me First - DC Medicaid

Prescription Requirements

- Client/Patient must schedule/have a recent face-to-face appointment with their doctor to document the need for a communication device. The visit note must meet the following criteria to satisfy insurance requirements:
 - Include: "Patient has XXXXX diagnosis(es) and requires a speech generating device. Patient cannot use speech functionally to communicate medical essentials needs and has been/should be evaluated for a speech generating device."
 - o Be within the actual medical record, not in a letter
 - Cannot be dated more than 6 months prior to the Certificate of Medical Necessity (CMN)
 - Signed by prescribing physician (electronic or physical signature, stamps are not acceptable)

Speech Evaluation Requirements

- A 4-week trial of the recommended device is required and should be noted in the evaluation.
- The prescribing physician needs to sign the AAC evaluation.

719A Prior Authorization Request Form

 This form needs to be completed and signed by the prescribing physician for DC Medicaid only clients. This does not apply to clients who are eligible for Managed Care Organizations.

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