

## Precertification requirements for hysterectomy

**This provider bulletin is an update about information in UniCare's Medicaid Managed Care Provider Manual (Manual). For access to the latest Manual, go online to [www.unicare.com](http://www.unicare.com).**

In an effort to ensure that our members receive medically appropriate treatment in the right setting, UniCare Health Plan of West Virginia, Inc. (UniCare) will conduct medical necessity reviews for all hysterectomy services, in both the inpatient and outpatient settings.

### **What this means to you:**

Effective April 15, 2016, all hysterectomy services must be reviewed by UniCare for prior authorization (PA). Please submit all required clinical information at least seven days prior to the scheduled service to allow thorough clinical review.

### **Precertification requirements will be added to the following codes:**

58152, 58200, 58210, 58240, 58560, 58262, 58263, 58267, 58270, 58275, 58280, 58285, 58260, 58275, 58210, 58150, 58280, 58290, 58270, 58294, 58263, 58180, 58292, 58291, 58262

### **You may request PA by submitting complete clinical information to UniCare by:**

- Phone at **1-866-655-7423**
- Fax at **1-877-282-9830**

Requests submitted with incomplete clinical information may result in denial.

### **Review criteria:**

UniCare utilizes the following Milliman Care Guidelines® to review hysterectomies:

- W0010: Hysterectomy, laparoscopic; hysterectomy, vaginal, laparoscopically-assisted
- W0109: Hysterectomy, abdominal
- W0110: Hysterectomy, vaginal

### **What if I need assistance?**

If you have questions about this communication, received it in error or need help with anything else, contact your Provider Relations representative or call our Customer Care Center at **1-800-782-0095**.

Failure to follow these requirements may result in claims denials. Please share this notice with other members of your practice and office staff.