

## Network Notification – Humana Healthy Horizons in Ohio

**Notice date:** February 27, 2025  
**To:** Humana Healthy Horizons® in Ohio provider network  
**From:** Humana Healthy Horizons in Ohio  
**Subject:** Temporary waiver of prior authorization requirements for nursing home admissions from hospitals

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### Summary

Ohio is currently experiencing an exceptionally high and rapidly increasing rate of hospitalization due to influenza, placing significant strain on our health care system. The impact is especially pronounced in our hospitals' ability to continue providing care to new patients.

### Impact

To ease the burden on inpatient facilities due to increasing hospitalization rates from influenza, Humana Healthy Horizons in Ohio will waive authorization requirements for skilled nursing admissions effective Feb. 21, 2025, through March 9, 2025. Humana Healthy Horizons will still require the Pre-admission Screening and Resident Review and clinical documentation to make a medical necessity determination and approve claims payment.

### Importance

Humana will provide approval of the first three days of the admission and immediately initiate the continued stay review process using the clinical information submitted by the nursing home. Determinations regarding the initial approval and continued stay will be communicated to the nursing home and member per routine processes in compliance with state and federal requirements.

### Questions?



More information can be found at [Humana.com/HealthyOH](https://www.humana.com/HealthyOH) and by calling Provider Services at **877-856-5707**, Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. – 8 p.m., Eastern time. You can also email us at: [\*\*OHMedicaidProviderRelations@humana.com\*\*](mailto:OHMedicaidProviderRelations@humana.com)

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