



Badger Care Plus Prior Authorization Metrics for medical items and services (excluding drugs)

To comply with the CMS Interoperability and Prior Authorization final rule, Humana is required to annually report aggregated prior authorization metrics on our website. The contract covered in this report is administered by iCare (Independent Care Health Plan), a wholly owned subsidiary of Humana. Specifically, this includes a list of all medical items and services (excluding drugs) that require prior authorization, as well as data on prior authorization requests for those items and services (e.g., approvals, denials, etc.) over the previous calendar year. Publicly reporting these metrics promotes transparency and accountability. For questions on the data below, iCare members and providers can contact customer service at 1-800-777-4376.

Reporting Period: 2025

Badger Care Plus

These are the medical items and services for which we require prior authorization (excluding drugs)

www.icarehealthplan.org/Prior-Authorization.htm

Prior to January 1, 2026, Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO) plans are required to send prior authorization decisions within the following timeframes:

- 72 hours for **expedited requests** (urgent)
- 14 calendar days for **standard requests** (non-urgent)

Beginning January 1, 2026, the CMS Interoperability and Prior Authorization final rule requires MCO plans to send prior authorization decisions within:

- 72 hours for **expedited requests** (urgent)
- 7 calendar days for **standard requests** (non-urgent)

An overturn on appeal does not necessarily indicate an inappropriate initial prior authorization decision because the overturn may be the result of additional information received or changes in the member's clinical presentation.

Badger Care Plus Standard (Non-Urgent) Prior Authorization Requests

Type of decision	Number of times this happened	Out of total requests	Percentage
Request approved	7,159	8,424	84.98%
Request denied	1,265	8,424	15.02%

Type of decision	Number of times this happened	Out of total requests	Percentage
Request approved only after time for review was extended	87	121	71.90%
Request denied after time for review was extended	34	121	28.10%

Type of decision	Number of times this happened	Out of total appeals	Percentage
Request approved only after appeal	7	33	21.21%
Request denied after appeal	26	33	78.79%

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**Badger Care Plus Expedited (Urgent) Prior Authorization Requests
(response due to provider within 72 hours)**

Type of decision	Number of times this happened	Out of total requests	Percentage
Request approved	187	266	70.30%
Request denied	79	266	29.70%

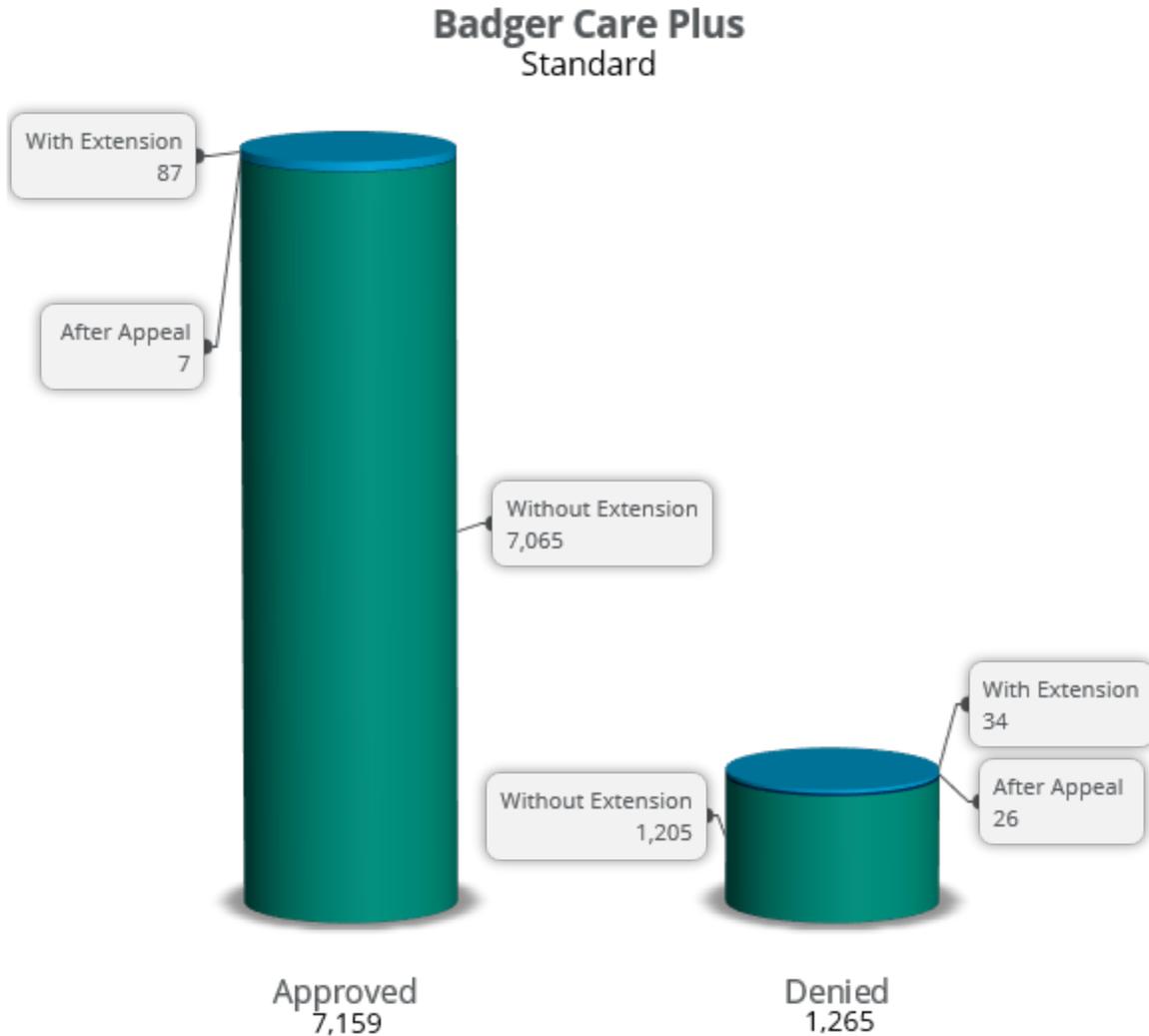
Type of decision	Number of times this happened	Out of total requests	Percentage
Request approved only after time for review was extended	0	0	0.00%
Request denied after time for review was extended	0	0	0.00%

Time Between Submission of a Prior Authorization Request and Decision

	Mean (average) time	Median (middle) time
Standard (non-urgent) prior authorization requests	4 day(s)	1 day(s)
Expedited (urgent) prior authorization requests	17 hour(s)	9 hour(s)

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In 2025, we received a total of 8,424 standard (non-urgent) prior authorization requests for our covered patients. 84.98% of those requests were approved:

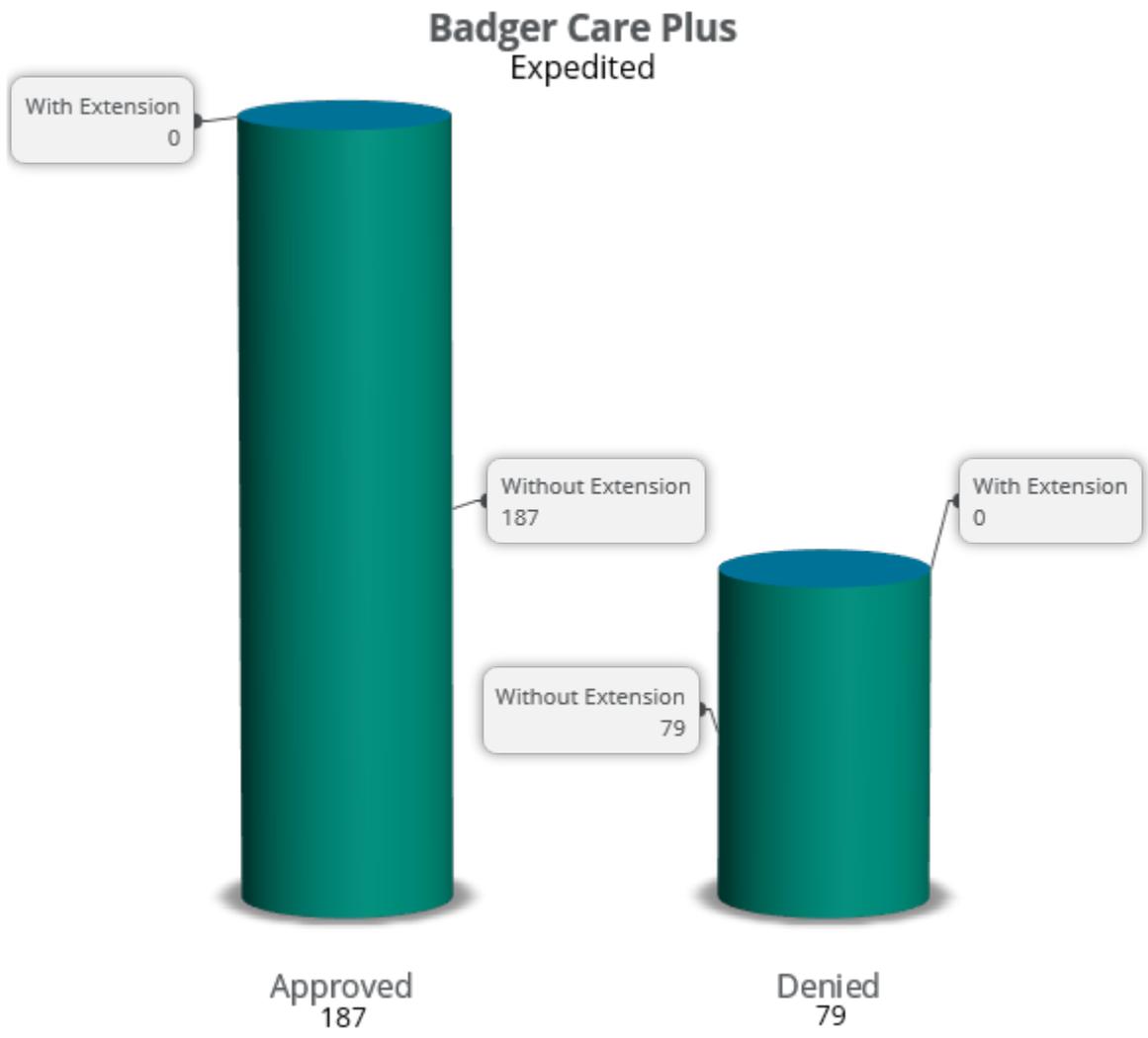


The mean (average) time that it took to make standard prior authorization decisions was 4 day(s)

The median (middle) time that it took to make standard prior authorization decisions was 1 day(s)

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In 2025, we received a total of 266 expedited (urgent) prior authorization requests for our covered patients. 70.30% of those requests were approved:



The mean (average) time that it took to make expedited prior authorization decisions was 17 hour(s)

The median (middle) time that it took to make expedited prior authorization decisions was 9 hour(s)

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