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To: All Blue Cross Complete providers

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Subject: MDHHS provides clarification on responsibility for neuropsychiatric testing processes

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services has provided the following clarification regarding neuropsychiatric testing in Medicaid Policy [Bulletin 24-30](#) issued on Aug. 30, 2024.

- Medicaid Health Plan will provide coverage and reimbursement for screenings provided by a Primary Care Physician.
- The Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan is responsible for testing, assessment and/or evaluation for behavioral health diagnoses. If results of the completed testing, assessment and/or evaluation do not determine the need for specialty behavioral health services for serious emotional disturbance or intellectual/developmental disabilities, such as autism, the member should be referred back to the PCP for treatment or subsequent referral to the appropriate practitioner in the MHP network.
- Blue Cross Complete will continue to provide coverage and reimbursement for neuropsychiatric testing required for medical diagnoses. These services require prior authorization by Blue Cross Complete.

For full details, review [Bulletin 24-30](#). As a reminder, when you do need to verify whether a service requires prior authorization, use the [Prior Authorization Lookup Tool](#) at mibluccrosscomplete.com. Please remember, the results of this tool are not a guarantee of coverage or authorization.

If you have any questions, contact your Blue Cross Complete provider account executive or the Blue Cross Complete Provider Inquiry at 1-888-312-5713.