Provider Portal Reference Guide

Medicaid STAR and CHIP members with
FirstCare Health Plans (FirstCare) coverage

Registration and access

To access the FirstCare Health Plans Provider Self-Service Portal, complete the self-directed registration process:

1. Go to the login page at **my.FirstCare.com** and select **Create an Account** button and choose **Provider** from the popup selector.

2. Follow the instructions to register using two recently processed Claims and Member IDs.

3. **If you do not have a claim, an activation code is required.** To obtain an activation code, click **Use Activation Code**, and contact us by chatbot. Please include the following information:

   - First and last name
   - Email address
   - Billing address
   - Job title
   - Name of organization
   - Phone number
   - Group NPI
   - Tax ID number

4. Click **Use Activation Code** checkbox, and enter your code in the **Activation Code** field to proceed with your registration. Your entire group will be added automatically; once inside your account you can un-hide those you want to see.

NOTE: If you already have access to the Provider Portal and need to add new users, go to **View/Edit My Info** and **Registered Providers**.

Getting help

Our Provider Relations Team is here for you. Contact us at **PRSupport@BSWHealth.org** or **click here** to find the contact information for your Provider Relations Representative.
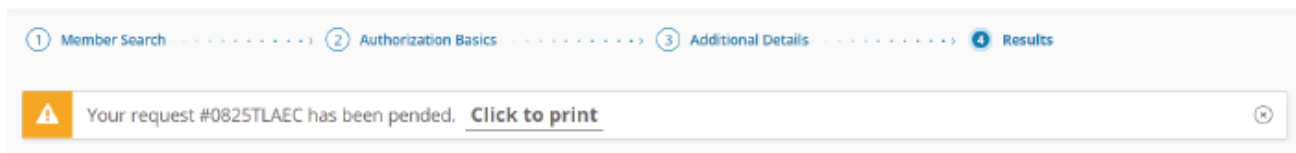
Navigation

Simply select the activity/function you wish to access from the left navigation bar.
For example, to access claims-related information, click on **Claims**.

NOTE: This example shows all of the navigation bar options open for display purposes only.
These will not display unless you click on the section header.

Requesting an authorization

1. Select **Authorizations** and then choose **Auth. Request** from the options.

2. Select the **Admission, Authorization, and Request Types**. Enter Member ID number along with the dates of service, service code and ordering/servicing provider information.

3. Select **Continue**, then proceed with the prompts to provide additional details and attach any necessary documents related to the authorization.

4. Once completed, a system-generated authorization number lets you know the status of the authorization. Select the **Click to Print** link to produce a printer-friendly/downloadable version of the authorization details

① Member Search .... ② Authorization Basics ....➔ ③ Additional Details ....➔ ❹ Results

⚠ Your request #0825TLAEC has been pended. **Click to print**   ⊗

For additional details please see the **GuidingCare Authorization Portal User Guide**.

Authorization Search

1. Select **Authorizations** and then choose Auth. Search from the options.

2. Search for and view authorizations by Provider, Auth ID, Member ID, Auth Status, and Service Date.

NOTE: The default date range is 1 month prior to and 1 month after the current date. Maximum date range is any 12-month timespan.

Appealing a claim

1. Perform a claim search to find the claim or claim line to be appealed.

2. Click on **Appeal**.

3. Enter the information on the **Reason for Appeal** tab and attach any supporting files (optional, except for Reasons with an asterisk).

4. Summarize the appeal.

5. Click **Submit Appeal**.

Appealing a claim (cont.)

See below for an image of the **Claim Appeal** screen.

After your submission is complete, a reference number will be provided to track your appeal. Notation of the appeal will also be documented in the Message Center.