



Pediatric Long-Term Home Health CNA Reallocation Summary & Template

Prior Authorization Requests (PARs) for Long-Term Home Health (LTHH) visits include two revenue codes: 571 and 579.

Code 571 corresponds to “basic units”, i.e. the first 60 minutes of care provided during a particular visit on a particular day. Code 579 corresponds to “extended units”, i.e. each subsequent 30 minutes of care provided during the same visit.

For example, consider two 2-hour daily LTHH visits for a particular member (an A.M. visit and a P.M. visit). The first 60 minutes of each visit qualifies as one unit of basic care, and the second 60 minutes of each visit qualifies as two units of extended care. In total, these daily visits consist of 2 units of 571 and 4 units of 579.

A provider is able to reallocate previously authorized HHA hours between the LTHH codes (571 & 579) to accommodate visit configuration changes as long as the reallocation request is submitted timely and the requested allocation balances with the total hours approved within the review. *(Note: Units may be changed, but the total number of approved hours must remain the same.)*

In order to reallocate units, you must provide 1) the balance available per revenue code at the time of request as well as 2) the exact amount of units you want allocated to each revenue code with 3) **NEW TOTALS FOR EACH REVENUE CODE FOR THE ENTIRE DURATION OF THE AUTHORIZATION PERIOD.**

To request such a re-allocation, submit a helpline ticket using the template below. *(Note: For complete accuracy in determining the remaining number of units, please use the date calculator utility within eQSuite®, located under the “Utilities” section.)*

Please note: We cannot make changes to expired PARs. The PAR must be active and current.

Template

PAR [list PAR# here] is Approved from [list 'from date' here] through [list 'thru date' here]

total units of 571= [list amount of units that were originally approved here]

total units of 579 = [list amount of units that were originally approved here}.

The following number of units remains for each code:

571 = [list remaining # of 571 units here]

579 = [list remaining # of 579 units here]

Please re-allocate the number of units as follows, effective [list new 'from date' here]:

Total units after re-allocation:

571 = total units of 571

579 = total units of 579

Example

In this example, a LTHH provider is requesting 2190 units of code 571 be re-allocated into 2190 units of code 579.

PAR F123456 is Approved from 7/15/2018 through 7/14/2019 for the total of

571 = 1825 units

579 = 2190 units

A total of 2920 hours

The following number of units remain for each code:

571 = 1000 units

579 = 1490 units

The total number of units per revenue code per the entire duration of the review:

571 = 730 units

579 = 4380 units

A total of 2920 hours

The hours will match at the beginning and end of the PAR

If you have questions, or need assistance, please contact ColoradoPAR customer service toll-free at **1-888-801-9355** or submit an Online Helpline ticket in [eQSuite®](#).