

January 12, 2024

You were previously notified that PA Health & Wellness would be making many policy changes to be compliant with the medical necessity criteria requirements stated in the CMS Final Rule 2024. The effective date of the CMS Final Rule 2024 and the policy changes was **January 1, 2024**.

One of those updated policies was *Clinical Policy: Short Inpatient Hospital Stay Reference Number: MC.CP.MP.182*. This update will have a positive impact and PA Health & Wellness wants to ensure that you review these changes. You will find all policies on our website at <https://www.wellcare.com/providers/medicare-bulletins/medical-clinical-policy-updates>.

Sincerely,

PA Health & Wellness

