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As a reminder, Prior Authorizations for Home Health Nursing Services (LPN and RN) are clinically reviewed every 60 days and require a new Prior Authorization request with updated \*Clinical Documentation every 60 days. This includes Prior Authorization requests for:

Code	Description	Quantity
T1002	RN services, up to 15 minutes	Units (4 units = 1 hr)
T1003	LPN services, up to 15 minutes	Units (4 units = 1 hr)

These services are requested by the servicing Provider using the Outpatient Prior Authorization process. Please submit Prior Authorization requests with supporting documentation through our online Secure Provider Portal or Availity. You may also submit a Prior Authorization request via fax using our PA Health & Wellness outpatient prior authorization fax form, found at <https://www.pahealthwellness.com/providers/resources/forms-resources.html>.

\*Prior Authorization requests for Home Health Nursing Services must include new Clinical Documentation:

- Completed Outpatient Medicaid Prior Authorization Form, located on the Provider Resources section of our website (required for all faxed requests): <https://www.pahealthwellness.com/providers/resources/forms-resources.html>
- New Plan of Care (485) every 60 days, signed by a Physician
- Clinical Nurse Review Notes (e.g. most recent nurse note/clinical summary for one day)
- When PHW is the secondary payer: Proof of denial/exhaustion of benefits from Primary Insurance

**Important reminder!** Activities in scope for T1002 (RN) and T1003 (LPN/LVN) include professional medical tasks that require the specialized skills of a licensed nurse and are performed under a physician’s order. These codes are typically used for continuous or shift-based nursing care in a Participant’s home. For example:

Clinical In-Scope Activities	Exclusions (Out of Scope)
<b>Assessment &amp; Monitoring:</b> Initial and periodic evaluations of health status, including vital signs, respiratory status, and medical monitoring for unstable conditions.	<i>The following activities are generally <b>not</b> billable under T1002 or T1003 as skilled nursing:</i>



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<b>Medication Management:</b> Administration of medications via complex routes, including IV infusions, intramuscular (IM), or subcutaneous (SQ) injections.	<b>Custodial Care:</b> Routine help with Activities of Daily Living (ADLs) like bathing, dressing, grooming, or meal preparation.
<b>Clinical In-Scope Activities (Cont'd)</b>	<b>Exclusions (Out of Scope) (Cont'd)</b>
<b>Wound &amp; Stoma Care:</b> Treatment of complex or non-healing wounds, dressing changes, and care for stable or unstable colostomies, ileostomies, or cystostomies.	<b>Housekeeping:</b> Laundry, vacuuming, or running errands.
<b>Respiratory Care:</b> Management of mechanical ventilation, tracheostomy care (including suctioning), and oxygen therapy.	<b>Respite Care:</b> Services provided solely for the convenience of the caregiver or for rest purposes.
<b>Feeding &amp; Tubes:</b> Care and maintenance of gastrostomy (G-tube), jejunostomy (J-tube), or nasogastric (NG) tube feedings.	<b>Tasks for Unlicensed Personnel:</b> Any service that can safely be performed by a person without medical training, such as simple bandage changes or stable oral medication reminders.
<b>Catheter Care:</b> Management of indwelling bladder catheters, including emptying, changing, or performing intermittent straight catheterization.	
<b>Patient Education:</b> Training the patient or their family on managing chronic illnesses, disabilities, or specific medical equipment.	

Thank you for your ongoing partnership. If you have any questions, please reach out to Provider Services at 1-844-626-6813.

Sincerely,

PA Health & Wellness