

Premera Blue Cross and Premera Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alaska Alert:

eviCore corePathSM online training launches January 2018

Title: Improved online system launches in late January – training begins January 17

Regarding: Physical therapy, occupational therapy, and massage therapy

Beginning January 26, 2018, Premera, in collaboration with eviCore healthcare, is implementing a new therapy authorization model called corePath. corePath streamlines the current medical necessity review process and makes it easier for you to make requests. We’re offering online training sessions (see dates and times below) to ensure a smooth transition.

In summary, corePath is designed to:

- Reduce administrative burden on providers and their staff
- Provide recommendations on allocated physical therapy visits based on the severity of the member’s condition and functional loss
- Empower providers with the ability to identify attributes that are unique to a specific member’s condition
- Reduce the amount of clinical information required to request a medical necessity review
- Integrate professionally accepted functional outcome measures, using validated measurement tools such as the Oswestry Disability Index and the Neck Disability Index

Online training sessions for the new corePath model include:

- corePath system
- Pathways: Requirements for initial and follow-up requests
- corePath forms

Online corePath Provider Training		
Date:	Day of the week:	Time:
January 17, 2018	Wednesday	1 p.m. Pacific time
January 18, 2018	Thursday	2 p.m. Pacific time
January 23, 2018	Tuesday	9 a.m. Pacific time 1 p.m. Pacific time
January 24, 2018	Wednesday	11 a.m. Pacific time
January 25, 2018	Thursday	11 a.m. Pacific time

We’ve scheduled 1 hour for each session, but it shouldn’t take a full hour. We’re recording the initial training session and posting it on the <https://www.evicore.com/healthplan/Premera> page as a resource in case you can’t attend.

How to register for online training:

- Select a date and time from the list above.
- Go to [evicore.webex.com](https://www.evicore.com/webex.com).
- Click on the *Training Center* tab at the top of the page.

- Click the *Upcoming* tab and find the training date and time you want to attend.
- Click *Register* and enter the registration information.

Note: “**corePath Provider Training**” is the title for these training sessions.

After you successfully register for the conference, you'll receive an email containing the toll-free meeting phone number, conference password, and a link to the web portion of the conference. Please keep the registration email so you'll have the information you need for your training session.

Your opinion matters to Premera. We'll request feedback regarding your experience using the corePath model. Premera will use your feedback to assist in continuing to provide quality programs aimed at creating a better experience for you.

On behalf of Premera Blue Cross and Premera Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alaska, eviCore healthcare is an independent company that provides medical necessity review services.