

When a Notification is *Not* Required

Unless otherwise specified, information in this policy does not apply to members with the Choice or Choice Plus products offered through Passport ConnectSM. For UnitedHealthcare's related policies/procedures, please go to www.UnitedHealthcareOnline.com or call 800-708-4414.

Inpatient Services

Notification to Harvard Pilgrim is **not** required for the following inpatient services:

- **Obstetric admissions that result in delivery.**
- **Level I routine newborn care** (All non-routine care levels do need notification. See the [Non-Routine Newborn Care \(Level II-IV\)/Neonatal Intensive Care Admission Notification policy](#) for details.)

Outpatient Services

Notification to Harvard Pilgrim is **not** required for the following outpatient services:

- **Surgical day care and ambulatory/minor surgery services**
 - A physician order is required
 - Authorization is required for some procedures (For a list of surgical procedures that require authorization, refer to the [Prior Authorization Policy](#).)
- **Cardiac rehabilitation services**
 - A physician order is required
- **Early intervention (EI) service**
 - EI is a Massachusetts-only benefit
- **Nutritional counseling**

PUBLICATION HISTORY

11/22/11	removed outpatient advanced imaging services notification information (refer to <i>Outpatient Advanced Imaging Authorization</i>)
01/01/12	removed First Seniority Freedom information from header
05/03/17	updated NICU notification information
03/01/18	reviewed; administrative edits for clarity
01/01/23	reviewed; no changes