



August 9, 2018

Dear Provider,

Physicians Health Plan (PHP) developed Benefit Coverage Policies that apply to all PHP products. These policies are reviewed periodically and are available on PHP's Provider Portal. Effective Oct. 1, 2018, the following changes will be made to BCP-74, Facet Injections and Facet Neurotomy for Pain Management.

- Prior approval is required for **all** dates of service, replacing past practice of requiring prior approval at the fourth date of service.
- Policy title change from "Facet and Facet Rhizotomy Injections" to "Facet Joint Injections and Facet Neurotomy for Pain Management."
- PHP will utilize MCG CareWebQI® Guidelines: MCG A-0695 "Facet Joint Injection" and MCG A-s is0218 "Facet Neurotomy" as the criteria to review for benefit determinations.

MCG criteria is available upon request. Please call Medical Resource Management at 517.364.8560 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Robin Classens'.

Robin Classens
Manager, Network Services