Special Testing Notification



Our authorization coordinators will get authorization from your insurance company for your special testing. We start the authorization process 24-48 hours after your appointment, once chart notes and orders are received.

Know your insurance authorization timeline.

Below are the estimated amounts of time that it may take for your special testing authorization to be processed, depending on your insurance company. Once we have received authorization we will contact you to schedule the special testing appointment, either with Puget Sound Imaging or with one of our imaging partners.

5-10 Business Days

Aetna, Ambetter, BlueCross BlueShield, Cigna, First Choice, Humana, Kaiser, LifeWise, Medicare, MultiPlan, Molina Marketplace, Premera, Regence, Tribal Health, Tricare

7-14 Business Days

Amerigroup, CHPW, Coordinated Care, MedAdvantage, MODA Health, United Community Plan, United Healthcare

10-21 Business Days

Apple Health, DSHS, L&I, Workers Compensation, Molina, Molina Medicare, Triwest, United Medicare -AARP, VA

If you have not been contacted within the estimated time frame above, then contact your scheduler:

| Test name | Phone number and scheduler |
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| MRI and Open MRI | 253.830.5215 for Puget Sound Imaging |
| CT/CAT, DEXA, EMG, Ultrasound and Bone | 253.582.7257 x19355 |
| Scan Joint Injection | 253.582.7257 x19465 for Lakewood and x20489 for Tacoma/Gig Harbor |
| Spine Injection | 253.582.7257 x20489 |
| Doppler Study | 253.582.7257 for your providers Medical Assistant |

To receive testing results, schedule a follow-up appointment with your PSO provider by calling 253.582.7257.