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TO: Hospitals
Managed Care Organizations (MCOs)
Pharmacies
Physicians

FROM: Jill Spector, Director *Jill Spector*
HealthChoice and Acute Care Administration

RE: Carve Out and Preauthorization of Spinraza™ and Cinryze®

Note: **Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.**

Effective January 1, 2019 Spinraza™ and Cinryze® will be carved out of the HealthChoice Managed Care benefit and will be covered by Maryland Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS). Medical services related to the administration of these medications are the responsibility of the MCO. MCOs may require providers to get a preauthorization for medical services as appropriate.

Providers must obtain a preauthorization for Spinraza™ and Cinryze® from the Maryland Department of Health (MDH):

- If the medication is dispensed through a pharmacy, the clinical criteria can be found at: <https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/pap/Pages/Clinical-Criteria.aspx> and the prior authorization form is available at: <https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/pap/pages/Pharmacy-Program-Forms.aspx>
- If the medication is obtained through direct purchase, the clinical criteria and the prior authorization form is available at: <https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/Pages/Preauthorization-Information.aspx>.

If Pharmacy Providers have questions related to preauthorizations, please call the Pharmacy hotline at 1-800-492-5231, Option 3.

If Prescribing Providers have questions related to preauthorizations, please call Kim Stevenson at (410) 767-5706.