

Questions to ask your UMR Service Representative

Nutrition Counseling/Medical Nutrition Therapy with a Specialist (dietitian)

These questions are provided as a courtesy to help you determine if nutrition counseling may be covered by your insurance provider. Having these questions addressed by your insurance provider's member services does not guarantee coverage. In addition, you may be **required to obtain a doctor's order prior to your appointment**. Check the second page for more information on that process.

In Person Appointments

Does my insurance plan cover nutrition counseling/medical nutritional therapy? \Box **Yes** \Box **No** You may need to provide the following information.

- 97802 Procedure code for an in-person initial nutrition counseling appointment
- 97803 Procedure code for an in-person follow-up nutrition counseling appointment

Virtual or Video Visit Appointments

Does my insurance cover virtual visit appointments?

Yes
No

- 97802-(95) Procedure code for a virtual visit initial nutrition counseling appointment
- 97803-(95) Procedure code for a virtual visit follow-up nutrition counseling appointment [95 indicates virtual visit]

Does my insurance plan cover virtual visits, if I live in a state other than Minnesota? Yes No

- Some policies/plans required that the client and nutritionist live in the same state.
- Be sure to tell the service representative.
 - \circ $\;$ Nutritional Weight and Wellness, Inc. is in the state of Minnesota
 - I live in the state of ______

All Appointments

Are Dietitians at Nutritional Weight & Wellness, Inc. In-Network with my plan? You may need to provide the following information

- <u>1700024890</u> NPI (National Provider Identifier) for Nutritional Weight and Wellness, Inc.
- <u>41-1998969</u> Tax ID for Nutritional Weight and Wellness, Inc

Do I have a deductible to meet first? Yes No

If yes, how much? _____

• You may e-mail our Insurance Coordinator, <u>insurance@weightandwellness.com</u> to find out if your plan has preventive services for Nutrition Therapy. Preventive services typically have no out of pocket expenses.

Will my plan cover nutrition counseling for (your health conditions)?

List the health conditions that you want to address at a Nutritional Weight & Wellness, Inc. appointment:

_____ □ Yes □ No

_____ □ Yes □ No

Do I have a co-pay or co-insurance to see a specialist?
If yes, how much?

If yes, how many visits can I have per benefit year?

The service representative will give you a reference number Ref. # ____

We strongly suggest you record the date, time and name of the representative you spoke with and keep a copy of this information for your records.



UMR – Doctor's Orders Information

UMR requires a Doctor's Order or sometimes called a Prescription for Service for most visits. **We require that the Doctor's Order is received prior to your first insurance appointment**. Please allow enough time before your appointment to gather that information for your doctor.

How to obtain a Doctor's Order

Please call your primary care clinic/doctor and request a Doctor's Order. "Doctor's Orders" may also be called a "Prescription for service"– so you may hear that term used as well.

Why do you need this?

All UMR members seeing a Specialist require a doctor's order. Dietitians and Nutritionists are specialists.

UMR requires a **medical code**: such as hypertension, high cholesterol, constipation etc. to cover your visit with a dietitian or nutritionist. Dietitians and nutritionists are not able to diagnose clients. We must have a Doctor's Order which includes a medical diagnosis code from a primary care provider so that we may file a claim UMR.

We are a private clinic and our Dietitians, Nutritionists and staff do not have access to your electronic health records where you see your primary care provider.

You will need to request that your clinic send us the required medical diagnosis codes using a Doctor's Order via FAX. (Fax # 651-305-0183)

What needs to be on the Doctor's Order?

-Doctor's first and last name
-Doctor's NPI number
-Patient's first and last name
-Patient's address
-Patient's birthdate
-Patient's diagnosis and ICD-10 code **
**Please note that your UHC/UMR insurance plan does NOT cover weight related diagnoses, nor does
UHC/UMR insurance cover the diagnosis code of Z71.3.

Your provider will need to know this before faxing the Doctor's Orders to us.

Then What?

Have your clinic **Fax** the Dr's Order to: Nutritional Weight and Wellness, Inc. Fax: **651-305-0183** ATTN: Insurance Department

If it would be helpful, please forward this email to your clinic or print & send it to your doctor.