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**

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