

Bulletin No. B-4.156

Concerning Deadline Extension for Prior Authorization Reporting Required by Colorado Insurance Regulation 4-2-101

I. Background and Purpose

In 2024, the Colorado General Assembly passed House Bill 24-1149 (HB 24-1149) concerning modifications to requirements for prior authorization of benefits under health benefit plans. The legislation requires carriers to post, on a public facing portion of their website, data on the number of approvals and denials of prior authorization requests and data on exemptions offered from prior authorization requirements. The Division is required to adopt rules to ensure the data fields are presented consistently by carriers, and to define categories of prior authorization request denials. As a result, the Division adopted Colorado Insurance Regulation 4-2-101, which is effective January 1, 2026. The adopted regulation includes two new data templates for carriers to utilize when posting prior authorization data.

The purpose of this bulletin is to clarify the Division's position regarding the deadline for the required reporting of prior authorization data and exemptions required by HB 24-1149 and Colorado Insurance Regulation 4-2-101.

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II. Applicability and Scope

This bulletin applies to all health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026.

III. Division Position

Pursuant to § 10-16-112.5(2)(c), C.R.S., carriers are required to report prior authorization data for the 2025 calendar year on January 1, 2026. Given this is the first year of reporting, carriers have requested additional time to complete the new templates required in Regulation 4-2-101 and post the data publicly.

For the 2026 reporting year, this bulletin extends the deadline for reporting and posting data required in Regulation 4-2-101 Appendix A and B to May 1, 2026.

This bulletin is repealed effective May 15, 2026.

IV. Additional Resources

- A. For More Information
Colorado Division of Insurance
1560 Broadway, Suite 850 Denver, CO 80202
Tel. 303-894-7499
- B. [Colorado Amended Insurance Regulation 4-2-101](#)

V. History

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