Know that we are working diligently with your physician and your insurer on your claim. Please be patient as the entire process may take 1 to 4 months from when the pre-authorization/pre-determination is initially submitted.

We are dedicated to advancing appropriate intervention for the treatment of gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD). Together, we can educate insurance companies on the limitations associated with open and laparoscopic surgery and help them better understand the benefits of an incisionless approach to GERD treatment. If you and your physician decide that the TIF Procedure with EsophyX device is right for you, we stand ready to assist you.

**Authorization Process**

**Phase 1: Request for Pre-Authorization/Pre-Determination**
- Your physician will identify you as an appropriate patient for the TIF Procedure for reflux.
- If you agree and want to pursue authorization, a submission of pre-authorization or pre-determination will be made on your behalf. All necessary documentation demonstrating medical necessity will be transmitted to your insurer.
- If your insurer approves, no further action is required and your procedure can be scheduled.

Please allow up to 15-30 days for the pre-authorization/pre-determination process

**Phase 2 (if necessary): Internal Appeal**
- If pre-authorization/pre-determination is denied by your insurer, an appeal can be filed on your behalf.
- If this 1st level of appeal is similarly denied by your insurer, a 2nd level appeal can be filed on your behalf.
- These internal appeals may include a peer-to-peer case review involving your physician.
- If your insurer approves either on 1st or 2nd level appeal, no further action is required and your procedure may be scheduled.

Please allow an additional 30-45 days for each level of the internal appeals process

**Phase 3 (if necessary): External Appeal**
- If all internal appeals are denied by your insurer, an external appeal can be filed on your behalf.
- An external review, if available with your insurer, will be conducted by an Independent Review Organization (IRO).
- The decision of the IRO is binding on both you and your insurer.

Please allow up to 45 days for a decision to be reached
What is the Patient Access Program for the TIF Procedure?

The TIF Procedure for reflux using the EsophyX device was cleared by the FDA in 2007. Over 18,000 procedures have been performed since. However, most health insurance companies do not cover the procedure for their members.

EndoGastric Solutions has partnered with PRIA Healthcare to work directly with you, your provider and your insurance company to obtain an approval for the procedure or appeal any service denials until a final decision is determined.

An approval cannot be guaranteed; however, we will continue to work on your behalf until all avenues are exhausted.

About Us

The Patient Access Program for the TIF Procedure is a service provided by PRIA Healthcare Management, LLC in collaboration with EndoGastric Solutions, Inc.

For additional information on the TIF Procedure, please visit GERDHelp.com.

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