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Outpatient physical therapy, occupational therapy, speechtherapy and audiology services provided in a rehabilitation center approved asmeeting the standards set forth in Section 51213 are covered as specifiedbelow:

(a)

One visit in a six-month period, for evaluation of the patient and preparation of an extended treatment plan, is covered without prior authorization. Additional services in a six-month period require prior authorization. The request for prior authorization shall be accompanied by an extended treatment plan signed by a physician. The extended treatment plan shall include all of the following: (1) The principal and significant associated diagnosis. (2) Prognosis. (3) Date of onset of illness or injury. (4) Specific type, number, and frequency of services to be rendered by each discipline. (5) Therapeutic goals to be achieved by each discipline and the anticipated time required for achievement of these goals. (6) The extent to which physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy or audiology services have been previously provided, and benefits or improvements demonstrated by such prior care.

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(b)

Authorization may be granted for rehabilitation center outpatient services when such services are medically necessary as set forth in Section 51303(a) and are reasonably expected to develop or restore functions related to basic activities of daily living. Therapeutic goals may seek to: (1) Develop or restore intelligible speech, (2) Provide necessary training in the use of prosthetic or orthotic devices, (3) Provide capability for self care to include feeding, toilet activities, and ambulation.

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A maximum of 30 visits may be authorized at any one time. Authorizations shall be valid for up to 120 days. A request for reauthorization shall include a statement describing the patient's progress toward achieving the therapeutic goals included in the extended treatment plan.