## Tip of the Week #3



Service authorization means the approval required from the designated authority for reimbursement for certain Medicaid services.

Obtaining Authorization for services - the process of determining service necessity, the level of care and number of units of service to be provided. While an authorization is *not* a guarantee of payment, it is a requirement for certain services per payor guidelines.

**Valuable Tip:** Always request an authorization for services and dates of services that require one per plan guidelines for appropriate reimbursement.

