



# Continuity of Care Assistance

We at Meritage understand that you may be obtaining care from a provider who is not contracted with Meritage. If you feel you have a special situation and your care cannot be transferred to an in-network provider on the date of change in your plan you may request that Meritage review your special situation. Under certain circumstances, you may be entitled to continuation of care with this non-contracted provider.

To request such a review, please provide the information below as completely and accurately as possible to avoid delay in processing your request. You or your authorized representative may complete the form. Please complete Section 1 below, then, if possible, provide this form to your provider to complete Section 2 to assist us in processing your request for continuation of care.

Please note that filling out the Continuity of Care Assistance Request Form does not guarantee requested services will be covered. Each case is reviewed with guidelines and criteria in place.

<i>Section 1 – Continuity of Care Assistance Request Form</i>	
Member's First and Last Name:	Member's date of birth:
Subscriber's ID #:	Subscriber's First and Last Name:
Please check one: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HMO	
Member's address:	
Best phone number(s) to reach you:	
Provider information	
Current medical group/Insurance company: <b>Meritage Medical Network</b>	Phone #: <b>415-884-1840</b>
Has your medical group been changed recently, if so:	
New medical group:	Phone #:
<i>Reason(s) for requesting continuity of care assistance</i>	
My medical need(s) include (Please check all that apply.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Scheduled procedure/surgery	<input type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy and immediate postpartum
<input type="checkbox"/> Acute condition	<input type="checkbox"/> Care of newborn between birth and age 36 months (not to exceed 12 months from the effective date of coverage for a newly covered enrollee)
<input type="checkbox"/> Serious chronic condition	<input type="checkbox"/> Specialist office visit
<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal illness	
Name of specialist(s):	Phone #:
Diagnosis:	
Current treatment(s):	
Date of upcoming appointment:	
Previous appointment/frequency of the visits:	
Other special needs or comments (Attach another page for additional information as needed.)	
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Authorization of information		
Member signature:		Date:
Additional person(s) that you are authorizing Continuity of Care Assistance Department to speak with about this request.		
Name:		
Phone number:	Relationship:	
If filled out by other than the member		
Name of requestor:	Relation to member:	
Phone #:	Date:	

### Section 2 – Provider information request (optional)

**This section is optional, but if completed it must be submitted with the member's completed Continuity of Care Assistance Request Form. It is not required but will expedite the review of your request.**

#### Patient information (to be completed by the member)

Subscriber First and Last Name:	
Patient (member) First and Last Name:	Patient (member) Date of birth:
Address:	Phone #:
Non-network treating provider name:	Office Phone #:

**Please note that your provider may require you to complete an Authorization for Release of Information.**

#### Provider information (to be completed by the provider)

Your patient has requested that Meritage cover care provided by you for a specific diagnosis and period of time. If you agree to continue to see your patient and accept Meritage's standard rates, please provide the requested information so that we can evaluate your patient's request. If you are not willing to accept Meritag's standard rates, please indicate that below.

Please check one option:  Agree to continue to see your patient accepting Meritage's standard rates.  
 Not willing to continue to see your patient. You may skip section below.

Diagnosis:	ICD code(s):
Expected duration of transition:	
Treatment/Treatment plan:	
Treatment/Surgical date:	For pregnancies, EDD:
CPT code(s):	
Non-network treating provider name (print):	Phone #:
Tax ID #:	
Non-network treating provider signature:	Date:

Please return this completed form and any supporting documentation you believe is appropriate to Continuity of Care Department at:

**Fax:** 415-883-7287

**Mail:** Meriage Continuity of Care Department  
4 Hamilton Landing #100  
Novato, CA 94949

**Email:** umdept@meritagemed.com