



**DATE:** January 30, 2019

**TO:** All Practitioners, Members and Employees

**FROM:** Ravenswood Physician Associates

**RE:** UM Affirmation for HMO Illinois, BlueAdvantage HMO, Blue Precision HMO

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At Ravenswood Physician Associates we affirm that:

1. UM decisions are based on medical necessity, which includes appropriateness of care and services, and the existence of available benefits;
2. this organization does not specifically reward practitioners, health plan staff, or other individuals for issuing denials of coverage, care or service; and
3. incentive programs are not utilized to encourage decisions that result in under-utilization.

Ravenswood Physician Associates also affirms that there is no conflict of interest between the IPA and their UM decision makers.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact RPA at 773-868-2000.