

## PACE CLAIMS PROCESSING

### Step 4: Authorization Validation (Pre-Approved Claim)

#### Processing Information

<b>Transaction ID</b>	AUTH-VAL-2024120509150003
<b>Claim Reference</b>	CLM-2024-1205-583927
<b>Timestamp</b>	2024-12-05 09:15:03.300 UTC
<b>Duration</b>	1.200 seconds
<b>Status</b>	✓ AUTHORIZATION VALIDATED

#### Authorization Lookup

**Authorization Number from Claim (REF\*G1): AUTH-2024-MRI-78345** PACE queried the UHC Prior Authorization System to retrieve and validate this authorization.

#### Field-by-Field Validation

##### Authorization Existence & Status

Validation	Expected	Actual	Result
Auth Number Exists	Found in system	AUTH-2024-MRI-78345 found	✓ PASS
Auth Status	APPROVED	APPROVED	✓ PASS
Auth Not Cancelled	Active	Active (not cancelled)	✓ PASS
Auth Not Expired	Valid on DOS	Expires 02/18/2025	✓ PASS

##### Date Validation

Validation	Auth Value	Claim Value	Result
Auth Effective Date	11/20/2024	—	✓ PASS
Auth Expiration Date	02/18/2025	—	✓ PASS
Date of Service	Within validity	12/05/2024	✓ PASS
DOS in Range Check	11/20/2024 - 02/18/2025	12/05/2024	✓ PASS

##### Service Validation

Validation	Auth Value	Claim Value	Result
CPT Code	73721	73721	✓ PASS
Modifier	RT (Right)	RT (Right)	✓ PASS
Units Authorized	1	1	✓ PASS
Units Billed ≤ Auth	≤ 1	1	✓ PASS

##### Diagnosis Validation

Validation	Auth Value	Claim Value	Result
Primary Diagnosis	M23.21	M23.21	✓ PASS
Dx Description Match	Medial meniscus derangement, R knee	Medial meniscus derangement, R knee	✓ PASS

##### Provider Validation

Validation	Auth Value	Claim Value	Result

Ordering Provider NPI	1847362951	1847362951	✓ PASS
Ordering Provider Name	Roberts, Michael J MD	Roberts, Michael J MD	✓ PASS
Facility NPI	1629384750	1629384750	✓ PASS
Facility Name	Austin Advanced Imaging	Austin Advanced Imaging	✓ PASS

### Member Validation

Validation	Auth Value	Claim Value	Result
Member ID	UHC-5839274	UHC-5839274	✓ PASS
Member Name	Martinez, Jennifer L	Martinez, Jennifer L	✓ PASS
Member DOB	08/14/1972	08/14/1972	✓ PASS

## Validation Summary

**✓ ALL 18 VALIDATION CHECKS PASSED** Authorization Validations: 4/4 passed

Date Validations: 4/4 passed Service Validations: 4/4 passed Diagnosis Validations: 2/2  
passed Provider Validations: 4/4 passed Member Validations: 3/3 passed

**TOTAL: 18/18 passed**

## Medical Necessity Determination

**✓ MEDICAL NECESSITY PRE-APPROVED** This claim has a valid prior authorization (AUTH-2024-MRI-78345). Medical necessity was determined during the prior authorization process on 11/20/2024. Clinical criteria were met per UHC Medical Policy: Knee MRI - Meniscal Pathology (Policy #2024-RAD-0234). **No additional clinical review required.**

## Traditional vs Pre-Authorized Workflow

Step	Without Prior Auth	With Prior Auth (This Claim)
Clinical Review	LCD/NCD policy check required	Bypassed - already approved
Medical Records	May need to extract from docs	Pre-reviewed during auth
Medical Necessity	System must determine	Pre-determined ✓
Processing Time	2-5 seconds (may need GenAI)	1.2 seconds (validation only)
Exception Risk	Medium (LCD triggers)	Very Low (if auth matches)

→ Proceeding to Step 5: Pricing & Adjudication