

Subject: Allergy Injections

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Objective:

- I. To provide all Tuality Health Alliance (THA) providers with a policy specific to the administration of allergy injections for THA patients.
- II. To provide consistent authorization of referrals for allergy injections.

Policy:

- I. THA providers are encouraged to do allergy injections in their office whenever possible.
- II. THA providers should administer allergy injections to THA patients in their office when any other patients receive allergy injections in the office.
- III. If a provider does not administer allergy injections in their office, a referral should be initiated to have the patient receive allergy injections in another clinic or specialist's office.

Procedure:

- I. When a specialist determines a patient would benefit from allergy injections, the specialist will notify the Primary Care Physician (PCP).
- II. The PCP can administer allergy injections without a referral in their office, if they are providing this service to other patients.
- III. If a PCP office does not administer allergy injections to other patients, they can submit a referral to THA for processing.
 - A. Include the number of injections per week and the number of office visits requested.
 - B. Authorization will not exceed a six-month period of time.
- IV. The patient can receive allergy injections in the specialist's office until considered stable.

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