

PRC FAQ's

Individual Qualifications

Stage 1

You are eligible if:

a) You are an enrolled member of a Federally recognized Tribe.

AND

b) You live in the El Paso/Hudspeth County

AND

c) You get prior approval for each case of needed medical service or give notice within 72 hours in emergency cases and correct facility is utilized (30 days for elders & disabled)

NO for any of the above

You are not eligible for PRC coverage if:

You may receive assistance to apply for the Affordable Care Act Medical Insurance coverage

If YES to all go to Stage 2

Payment may be approved if:

a) The health care services that you need is medically necessary, *as indicated by medical documentation provided*

AND

b) The service is not available at Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo HHS. *if traveling if service is not available at a IHS/Tribal or Urban facility

c) The facility's PRC committee determines that your case is within the current medical priorities of the facility.

*Unfortunately PRC funds often are not sufficient to pay for all needed services. When this happens, the committee considers each individual's medical condition to rank cases in relative medical priority. Cases with imminent threat to life, limb, or senses are ranked highest in priority***

NO for the above

Request is deferred

***Ask PRC staff for more specifics. Sometimes deferred lower priority cases may be reconsidered later if funding permits.*

If Yes to all go to Stage 3

Approval, Billing, Payment

a) You must apply for any alternate resource for which you may be eligible - *Medicare, Medicaid, insurance including Affordable Care Act Marketplace insurance etc.*

THEN

b) A PRC authorization/referral form is issued to a provider authorizing payment for services

THEN

c) You coordinate your medical care with the authorized provider on your PRC referral

THEN

d) The authorized provider bills and collects from your alternate resource -*Medicare, Medicaid, insurance including Affordable Care Act Marketplace insurance etc.*

THEN

e) The authorized provider bills any unpaid balance to PRC for payment - *because PRC is payer of last resort it pays only for costs not paid by your alternate resources.*

STEPS ARE COMPLETED IN ORDER

Provider is Paid

Specific services authorized within relative medical priorities may vary from time-to-time in response to changing supply and demand, especially to stretch diminished funds over the remainder of the fiscal year.

Only general applicable PRC rules and procedures are shown; you can access the entire PRC guidelines on Ysleta Del sur Pueblo's web page under Health and Human Services www.Ysletadelsurpueblo.org or at call 915-858-2117 and speak to PRC staff.