

Speech Therapy Prior Authorization Clinical Checklist: Pediatric

*For initial requests- please fill out the ST corePath worksheet or complete the pathway questions for the ability to get a real time decision.

Continuation of care/On-going requests:

Required Document/Items	Required Information #1	Required Information #2	Required Information #3
Progress Report that includes:	 □ Baseline measures = level of performance at the beginning of the reporting period, with regard to the targeted short-term goals □ Current objective measures = level of achievement/change since start of care toward targeted short-term goals 	 □ Progress report documentation may include a short narrative, as well as the objective information presented in a clear, concise manner □ Include progress made in meeting the plan of treatment, along with any changes in the goals or the treatment plan 	 □ Dated within the health plan requirements for this current request □ Caregiver program/maintenance program plan, as applicable for long-term needs □ Rationale for continued care requiring the skills of a therapist □ The review of the plan of care (POC) must include: 1. Progress report evaluating recipient's accomplishments toward a stated goal 2. Description of recipient's attitudes and behaviors toward therapy 3. Assessment of effectiveness of service provided 4. Assessment of recipient's rehabilitation potential 5. Modifications to the POC
Reports from Recommended Additional Assessments.	□ Diagnostic test results	 If recommended in the initial POC: Professional reports or instrumental evaluations performed (e.g., ENT, audiologist, etc.) 	 Information that supports the medical necessity for treatment and follow-up of recommended procedures