

The Nurse Practitioner (NP) or Physician Assistant (PA) must have rendered the service in a specialty clinic. These services will be allowed without an authorization only if the place of service is a specialty clinic. **Direct access without an authorization does not apply to NPs and PAs when the services are rendered at a primary care clinic. Please see below for a complete list of shortage specialists.**

Shortage Direct Access Specialists

PrimeWest Health has a limited number of these specialty types in our network; therefore, all member groups are allowed to access these specialties, even if they are out of network without a Service Authorization.

Specialist Type
Behavioral Health
Dental – Collaborative Practice Dental Hygienist
Dental – Collaborative Practice Dental Therapist
Dental – CP Advanced Dental Therapist
Dental – Hygiene
Dental – General Practitioner
Dentist or Dental Clinic
DDS-Oral Surgeon
Dermatology
Gastroenterology
Gynecologic Oncology
Hematology
Infectious Disease
Internal Medicine/Oncology
Medical Oncology
Neurological Surgery
Neurosurgery
Oncology
Pediatric Dermatology
Pediatric Gastroenterology
Pediatric Hematology-Oncology
Pediatric Infectious Disease
Pediatric Rheumatology
Oral Maxillofacial Surgery
Oral Surgery
Orthodontics
Pediatric Dentist
Pedodontics
Periodontics
Plastic Surgery
Prosthodontics
Radiation Oncology
Rheumatology
Surgical Oncology