

## Member appeal or grievance

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield would like to inform you that if a provider or authorized representative files a grievance or appeal on behalf of a member for a pre-service, **the request must contain written consent from the member** pursuant to the General Requirements regulation *42 CFR §438.402*.

Therefore, effective immediately, when a provider submits a grievance or appeal on behalf of a member for a pre-service, the file must contain signed and dated written consent from the member giving the provider permission to file the grievance or appeal on the member's behalf. Without this consent, the grievance or appeal will be dismissed.

Members, or providers acting on the member's behalf, have 60 calendar days from the date of action notice within which to file an appeal.

The information above applies to the Hoosier Healthwise, Healthy Indiana Plan and Hoosier Care Connect members.

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