

Welcome Packet

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Welcome to Cohere!

This document serves as a playbook for all new users. We will review the process for registering your organization for a Cohere account, walk through how to submit authorizations using the Cohere portal, share resources on admin user management and Cohere's clinical scope for cardiovascular services.

About Cohere

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Contact Us

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Account Registration



How To Register for an Account

To get started using Cohere's portal, your organization should designate one administrator to register for an account. The person who completes the registration form will be set up as an admin user and will be responsible for managing user access for your entire organization. Admins **will have** the ability to set up other organization administrators.

What To Expect

STEP 1 Complete Registration

Go to
 <u>coherehealth.com</u>
 <u>/register</u> and complete the registration process.

STEP 2 Activate Account

You will receive an email prompting you to activate your account. This email will include your username. Click **Activate My Account** to continue.

*Don't forget to check your spam folder.

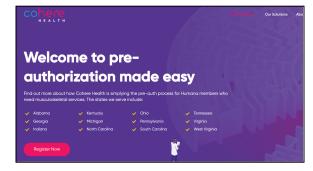
STEP 3 Login

- Create a password, then choose your security question and image.
- When logging in, your username will always be your email.

*For those creating new accounts, logging in will activate your provider organization and allow other members to request access.

Registration Instructions

- Visit <u>coherehealth.com/register</u> and select the pink "Register" button.
- Enter your organization tax ID number (TIN) and email and press "Create an account".
- 3. From here you will see a list of any existing organizations that



match the entered information. (Note: If your organization hasn't registered for an account, you will not see any organizations listed.)

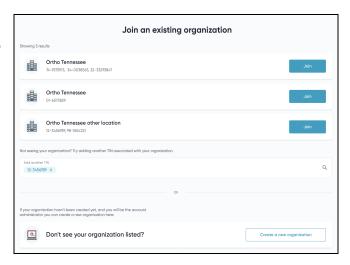


Possible Scenarios

Scenario 1: Organization is listed:

Select the "join" button to the right of the corresponding organization.

 In the Cohere portal, authorization requests are viewable at the organization level. This means that you will be able to view and submit requests for all of the associated organizations regardless of the physical location that is selected.

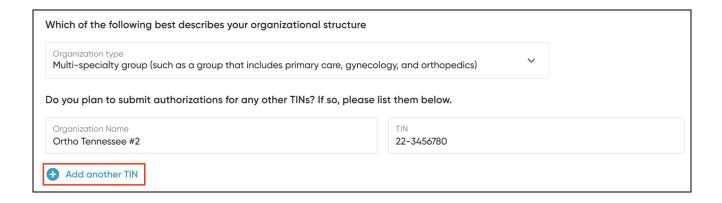


Scenario 2: Organization is not listed:

- Enter additional TINs in the search bar in the middle of the page to expand the organization options.
- If you still do not see your organization, press "create a new organization".

If you submit authorization requests for **multiple locations under the same tax ID number**, please select the location that constitutes the majority of your pre-authorization requests.

• If submissions are roughly equal, select any of the listed organizations. Admin users will be able to add additional TINs.





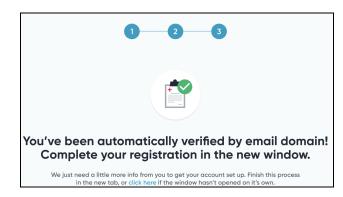
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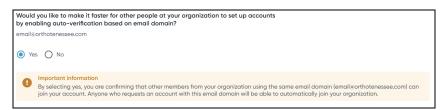
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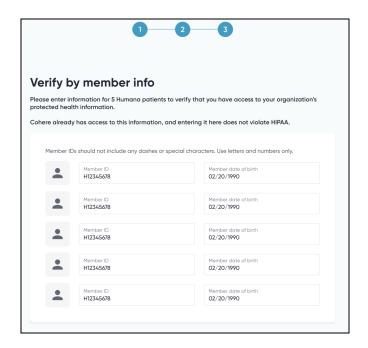
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Option 2: New Accounts Only

Verify by Patient Info

 Must have 5 Humana member IDs and DOBs to verify by patient info.





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Welcome to Cohere!

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Using the Platform

How It Works

Cohere's platform is an easy way to get authorization requests reviewed and approved quickly so that your patients can get the care they need. We use a combination of technology and a team of nurses and doctors to make sure care is medically appropriate and meets clinical guidelines.

Here is what happens when you submit an authorization request in our platform:

- 1. We receive your request instantly.
- 2. Our platform reviews your request and if all the information is there and meets our guidelines, your request will be auto-approved. We notify the payer, and you will see the authorization number in the platform.
- 3. If any information is missing or does not meet our guidelines, our team reviews your request. We will be in touch about what else is needed in order to get the patient the care they need.

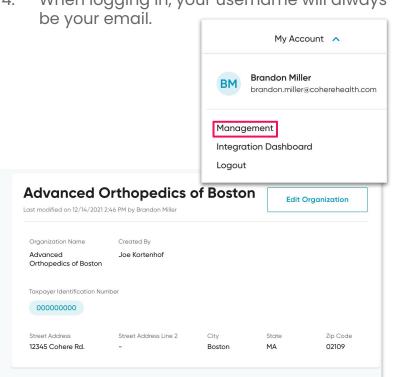
Cohere User Accounts

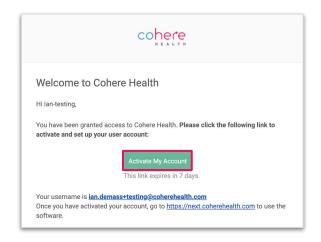
If you are an administrator, this section describes how to request an account for yourself and how to create accounts for any additional team members at your organization.

Requesting an Account

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- 3. Create a password, then choose your security question and image.

4. When logging in, your username will always





Admins only: Creating Accounts for **Other Users**

- 1. Enter your username and password to sign in to next.coherehealth.com.
- Once you have logged in, click the 'My Account' option in the top right corner of your screen, and then select 'Management' from the drop down menu..
- 3. The next screen will show users within your organization who already have active accounts. From here, press the blue '+ Add Member' button.
- A small pop-up window will appear for you to enter the user's information.
- Once the new user is added, they 5. should receive an email to activate their account.

Logging In & Resetting Your Password

Both of these actions can be completed from the sign in page.

+ Add member

- Go to next.coherehealth.com 1.
- Enter your username (which is your email) and password.
- 3. Click 'Sign in'.

Users & Permissions

If you need to reset your password, select 'Need Help Signing In?' and then when the additional options appear, select 'Forgot Password'.

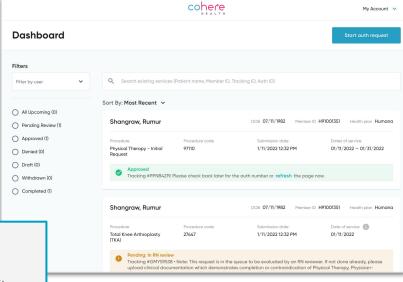


Dashboard

The dashboard is a useful resource to view all of your practice's authorizations in one location. From any place in the platform, you can click the Cohere Health icon at the top of the screen return to the dashboard.

After signing in to the platform, you will land on the dashboard. This is where all practice staff will be able to view authorizations across all patients at your practice. You can filter the requests by different criteria, including:

- Authorization status
- User that submitted the request
- Patient name, member ID, tracking ID, and authorization ID





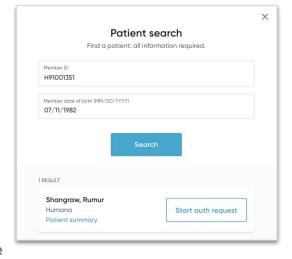
You can also sort the authorizations by "most recent" and "date of service".

- Most recent refers to the request submission date/time or the last time it was edited
- Date of service refers to the date of the service request

Patient Summary

There are two ways in which you can navigate to the patient summary:

- Start your authorization request by pressing the 'Start Auth Request' button and searching for the patient. When the patient is returned, select the patient summary, below the patient's name.
- 2. Search for the specific patient and/or authorization by using the filters and search bar and then click the specific authorization.



From the patient summary, you will be able to view a comprehensive list of previously submitted authorizations in the Cohere platform, including those created by users at your organization and other organizations, if applicable.

Printing

Select the '**Print'** button or the printer icon to view the service summary and either download or print.

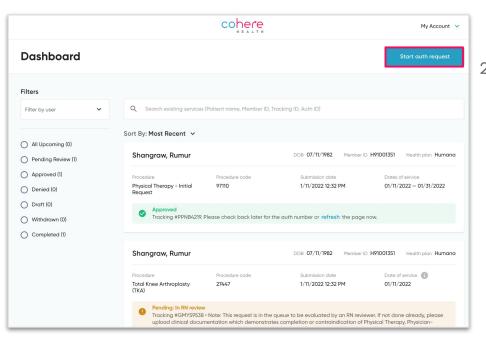
Editing & Withdrawing

Select the 'More Detail' button to edit and or withdraw your request.

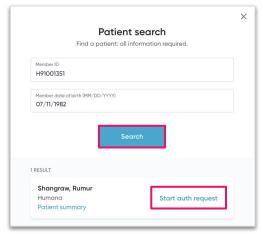
Select 'Edit Request'. You will be able to edit most fields, including editing attachments and clinical assessment questions.

Select 'Withdraw Request'. You will see a pop-up window asking you to select a reason for withdrawal and confirming you want to withdraw the request.

Submit an Authorization Request



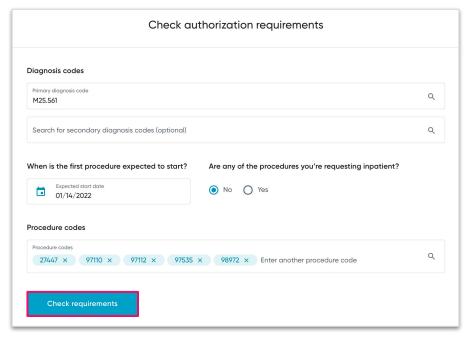
- 1. From the dashboard, click the blue 'Start Auth Request' button in the top right corner.
 - Enter the patient's information (Member ID and Date of Birth) and press 'Search'. When a result is returned, click 'Start auth request'.

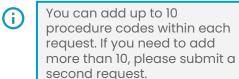


The next step in submitting your authorization is to enter a few initial details including:

- Primary diagnosis code
- Secondary diagnosis codes (optional)
- Start date (Date of Service)
- Are any of the procedures you're requesting inpatient?
- Procedure codes

Select 'Check requirements'. The platform will then start checking which, if any codes, require authorization by Cohere.



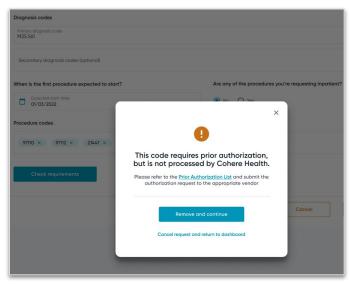




If any of the codes that you enter do NOT require authorization by Cohere, but are required through another vendor, you will see a pop-up indicating that you will need to submit the authorization with that other vendor.

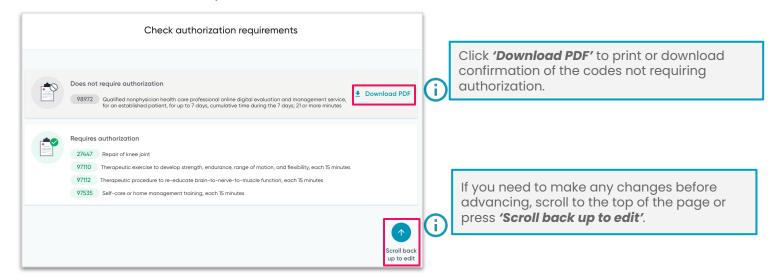
At this point, you have two options:

- Remove that code/ codes and continue with the authorization OR
- 2. Cancel the entire service request and return to the dashboard.



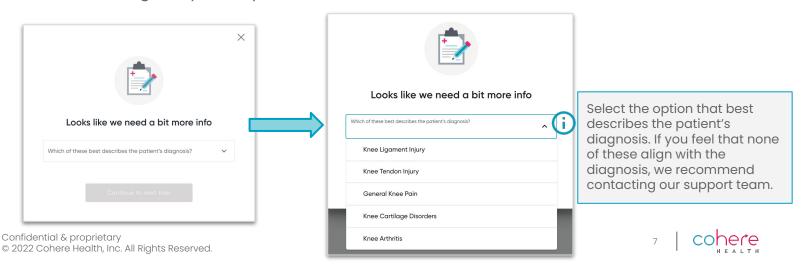
If you choose to continue with the authorization, we will share more information about the additional codes that were entered. You could see two possible messages:

- Codes that **DO NOT** require authorization at all
- Codes that DO require authorization BY Cohere



When you are ready to continue submitting your request, press 'Continue with procedure codes' at the bottom of the page. The codes that do not require authorization will not be included in your request.

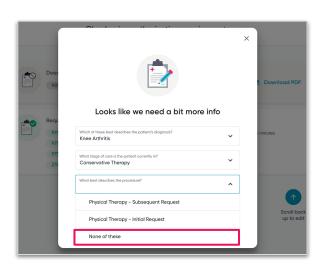
Depending on the procedure codes and diagnosis, we may ask for additional information in order to best guide your request.



Depending on the details that are entered to initiate the authorization request you may be asked to provide more detail about the procedure. If none of the options are accurate you will have the ability to select 'None of these'. This is what we recommend using to enter a request for occupational or speech therapy.

Once the questions are answered you will be able to advance to the next step. This page is where procedures will be selected and is split into three sections:

- 1. Procedures selected based on your codes
- 2. Previously requested for this patient
- 3. Additional procedures for the selected diagnosis

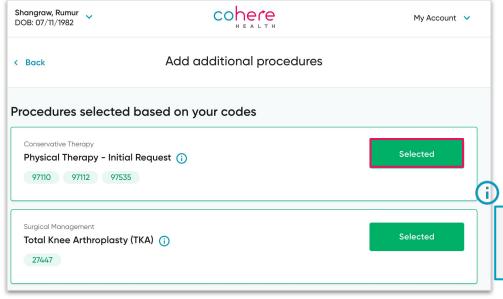


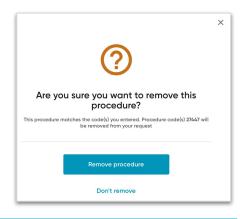
Add additional procedures

You can think of this page as your online shopping cart: you will see what you have in your cart at the top, then what you've previously ordered, and suggested items that match your shopping profile at the bottom.

Procedures selected based on your codes

The services listed here are selected because of the procedure codes that were entered to start the authorization. By default they will be selected. If you do not want to submit one of the suggested procedures, press the green "Selected" button to remove the procedure.





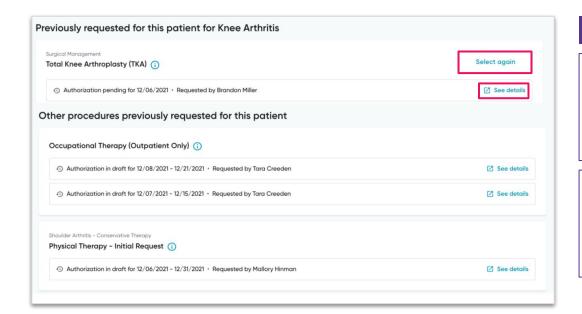
If you choose to continue with removing the service, it will be removed from this section of the page.

Previously requested for this patient

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This section of the page will list all of the services that have previously been submitted for this patient. You will see:

- Previously requested services for same diagnosis
- Other previously requested procedures



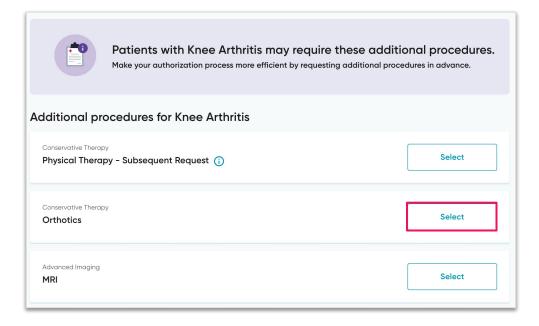
Key Points

You will have the ability to select requests that have been previously submitted with the same diagnosis by pressing "select again".

For ALL requests in this section, press "see details" to view more information about the request on the patient summary.

Additional procedures for the selected diagnosis

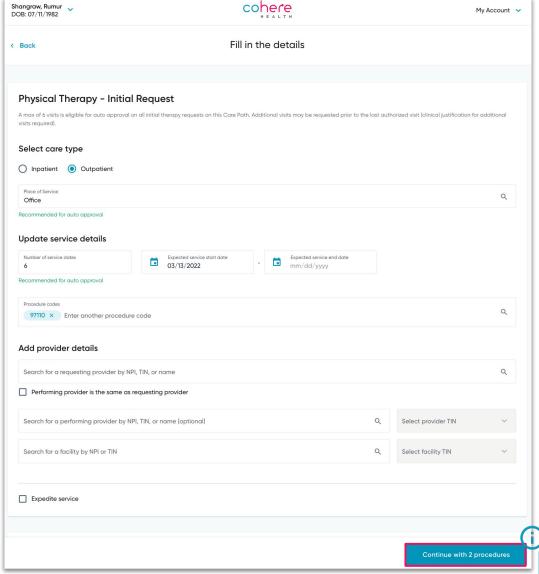
Here you will find services that could be clinically appropriate given the entered diagnosis. Press 'Select' to add any of the procedures.



Once you have selected all of the procedures you are planning to submit with this request, press 'Continue with procedures' at the bottom of the page to continue adding details like place of service, requesting/performing provider, facility, and more!

Fill in the details

After selecting the services you wish to request, the next page will ask for the remaining request details. The procedure code(s) you entered when first starting your submission will automatically fill into the corresponding service request(s) unless you selected an additional service from the previous page.



If you added a service from either of those sections you will need to manually enter the procedure (CPT) codes.

When the details for all requests are complete, press the 'Continue with procedure' button at the bottom right of the page.

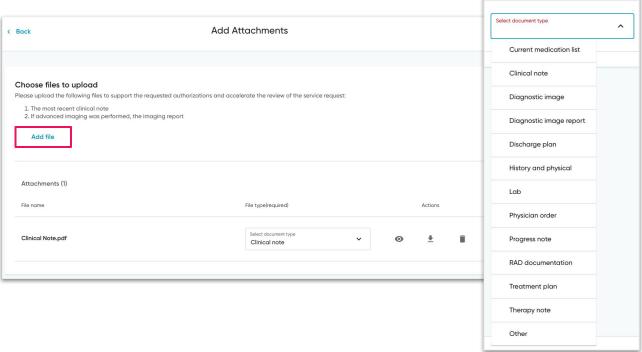
The number on this button will change based on the number of requests you are submitting.

Add Attachments

After answering the required clinical assessment questions, the final step before submitting your request is to upload relevant files. Start by clicking 'Add file' then choose the appropriate file type and click 'Continue' to move to the final step.

File type(required)

 While choosing your files to upload, you can hold the "Shift" key to select multiple.



Clinical Assessment Questions

After completing the details of the request, you will be asked clinical assessment questions. These questions are designed to capture key information about the patient's specific clinical situation based on the diagnosis and services requested for approval. Answering these clinical assessment questions increases our ability to issue an auto-approval, which ultimately saves you time. These are common clinical details that you'll likely find in the patient's chart or can obtain from the Requesting Provider.

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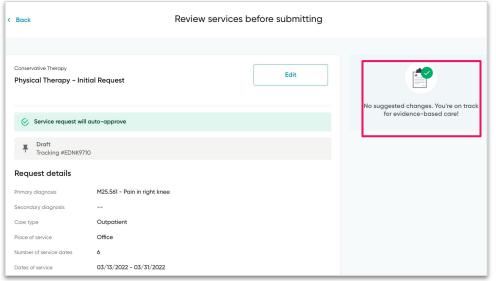
Based on the diagnosis and services requested, you may be asked for a functional assessment score. Cohere uses patient-reported outcome measures as part of our clinical review process. PROMs are powerful tools to help providers understand the outcomes like pain and functioning that matter to patients.

Please keep in mind...

- These questions are NOT required. If you do not have this information please enter "0".
- If your organization uses different functional assessment tools, you can submit those scores.
- We do not currently ask for patient reported outcome measures related to occupational or speech therapy.



Before you submit your request, review all the details and if you with to make any updates, press the **'Edit'** button. When everything is finalized, click **'Submit services'**. Cohere will now review your request. You can check the status of this request by viewing it on the dashboard.



Evidence-based suggestions

You may see these suggestions populate on the review screen for a number of different reasons, including:

- Shifting site of service for a surgery that can safely be changed from inpatient to outpatient.
- Number of therapy visits exceeds the recommendation.
- Number of viscosupplementation injections exceeds the recommended number.

Evidence-based suggestions are one feature in our platform to help your organization provide high-quality care for your patients, ultimately leading to **more auto-approvals**. These simple messages indicate how to align your request with Cohere's clinical guidelines.

When our technology cannot auto-approve your request, we have a clinical team of registered nurses and doctors who will review your request. This team will reach out with questions regarding the request so that we can get your patient the care they need as fast as possible.

If a request pends, we will:

- Review against our guidelines & reach out by phone with questions.
- When ready, update and approve while being transparent about the process.
- If it requires further review, RN reviewers will engage our medical directors.

Cohere Clinical Guidelines

Our clinical guidelines are fully transparent based on National & Local Coverage Determinations, American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons guidelines, payer policies, and input from our clinical content team and advisory board. Click here to access the guidelines for specific payers in our Learning Center.

Cohere's musculoskeletal advisors and consulting experts are leaders in their respective clinical & academic practice areas.

- Internal Medicine
- Pain Medicine/ Anesthesiology
- Orthopedic Surgery (Spine & Joint)
- Neurosurgery
- Physical Therapy & PT Practice Department Management



Peer-to-Peer Consults

Our goal is to reduce the need for peer-to-peer consults. However, we know that in some situations, the best way to get patients the care they need quickly is to connect our providers with yours for a brief conversation.

If a practice is missing required clinical documentation for an approval, we will attempt to obtain that information prior to asking for a peer-to-peer. When we believe that a conversation between physicians could help bring clarity to a case, we will request a peer to peer consult *before* issuing a denial. This gives ordering physicians the opportunity to provide information earlier in the process and reduces the time until a decision is made.

Cohere's panel of peer to peer physicians are board-certified physicians who are experienced both on the giving and receiving end of peer-to-peer consultations. Our physicians will be prepared to have meaningful conversations with your organization. We will match a peer to peer physician with the same specialty as the ordering physician.

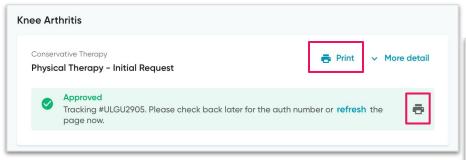
If we would like to schedule a peer-to-peer conversation, we will reach out to the person who submitted the authorization by phone.

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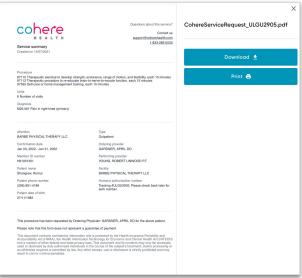
Depending on the status of a request, you will have different options available when it comes to editing.

- You can use the print button or the printer icon to print the authorization summary.
- Press 'more detail' to view the details, make edits (when possible), and withdraw a request.



Print and/or Download a Request

- Press the 'Print' button and then select service summary to generate a PDF containing the details of your service request. The printer icon to the right of the authorization will also generate the service summary.
- 2. From there, you will have the option to download or print this PDF.

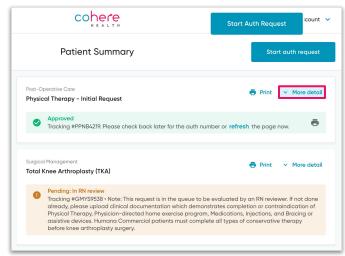


Edit a Request

Use the 'More detail' button to make changes or withdraw the service request. You are able to edit pended, approved, and or partially approved authorizations.

Once you select 'More detail' and are able to see the details of the request select 'Edit Request'.

- The request form will populate on your screen.
- In addition to the fields in the request, you also have the ability to edit attachments and clinical assessment questions.



Please visit the Learning Center by clicking here if you would like more information specific to editing. Please contact us to make a change to the care type (inpatient/ outpatient) and/ or place of service field.

Withdraw a Request

Use the 'More detail' button to view the option of withdrawing the request, press 'Withdraw Request'.

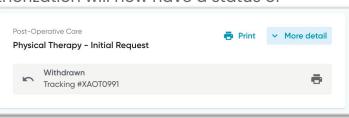
You will see a pop-up window asking if you are sure you want to withdraw the request.

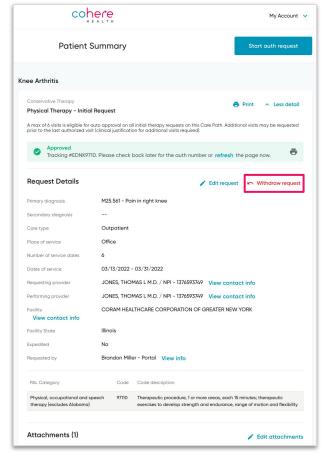


Next, select a reason for your withdrawal from the drop-down menu:

- Duplicate request
- Request details inaccurate
- Service is no longer required
- Not medically necessary

After selecting the reason for withdrawal, press 'Withdraw request' and the authorization will now have a status of "withdrawn".









Admin User Guide

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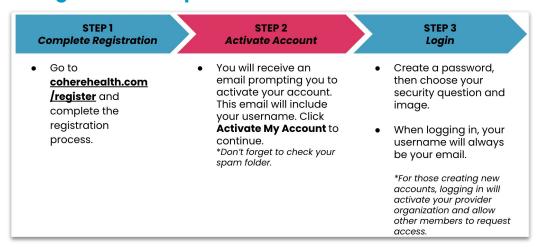
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Registering for an Account

Cohere is focused on empowering our provider partners. To that end, our platform allows admin users to control user access to the platform.

Admin users are responsible for adding new users, as well as removing access, when appropriate. Please ensure that these processes are managed according to your organization's policies.

Overview of Registration Steps



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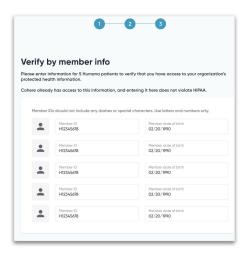
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 Must have 3 Humana member IDs and DOBs to verify by patient info.

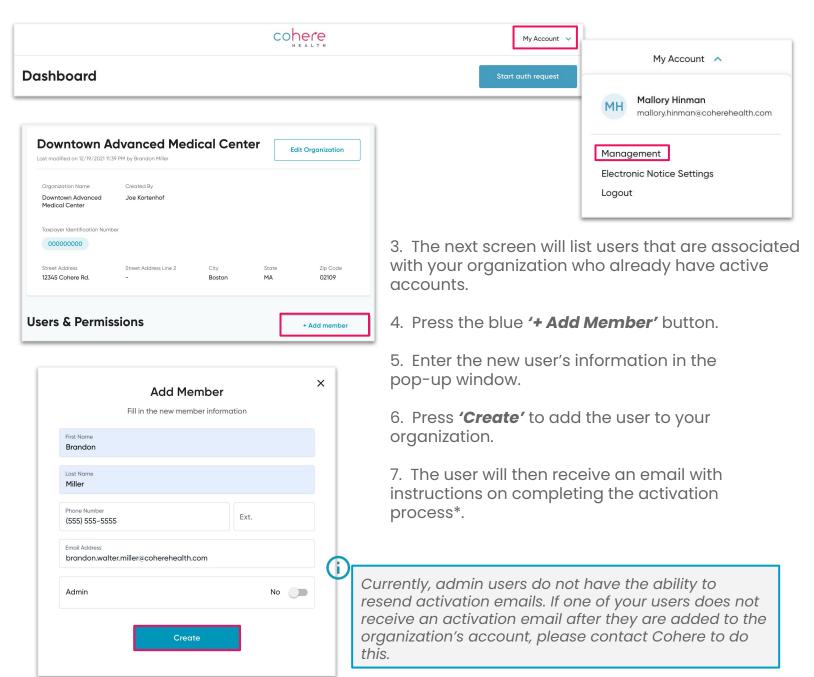


User Management

Adding Users

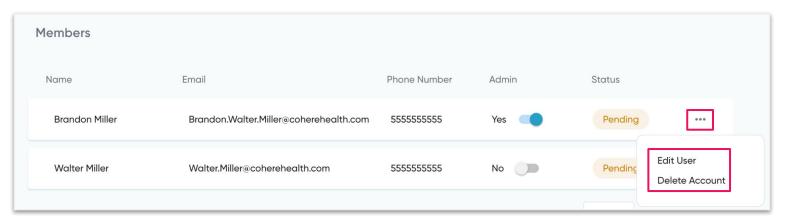
If auto-verification based on email domain was selected during registration, users will be automatically added to your organization. If this option was not enabled, each user must be manually added by the admin. The steps below outline the steps to adding users to the organization's account within the Cohere platform.

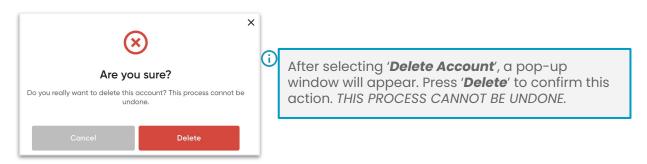
- 1. Enter your username and password to sign in to next.coherehealth.com
- Once you have logged in, click the 'My Account' option in the top right corner of your screen, and select 'Management'.



Deleting Users

- 1. Once you have logged in to the Cohere platform, click the 'My Account' option in the top right corner of your screen, and select 'Management'.
- 2. Find the correct user on the next screen.
- 3. Click the three dots to the right of the user to view more options 'Edit User' and 'Delete Account'.





Editing Users

You are only able to change a user's email address if that user has not activated their account and is in a "**Pending**" status. If the user has already been activated, follow the steps below to edit.

Email address

Please do not edit the user's email address directly. Instead, follow the steps below:

- Deactivate the user account with the incorrect email address.
- 2. Add as a new user with the correct email address.

Name or phone number

- Find the correct user.
- 2. Select 'Edit'.
- 3. Edit details as necessary.
- 4. Press 'Save'.

Assigning Other Administrative Users

On the account management page, you also have the ability to create additional admin users. First you must add the user following the steps on the previous page, and then press the slider to the right of the user to '**Yes**'.



If you believe you should not be an administrative user at your organization, please follow the steps below to assign another admin before removing the previous admin access.

Step 1: Add a new admin user

- Please ensure that the correct user who will be added as an administrator has access to Cohere, if not, review how to add users on page 4 of this guide.
- If their user account is active, find their name & switch toggle under 'Admin' to "yes". They are now an admin user.

Step 2: New admin removes the previous admin

• The new administrative user will then log in, go to 'My Account', select 'Management' and then untoggle the "Admin" option for the previous administrator to "no".

Additional Resources

We're here to help! Our <u>Learning Center</u> is a great resource available to all Cohere users. We offer FAQs, tip sheets, webinars, and much more!

We highly recommend that all new users attend one of our webinars to learn more about Cohere. If you are interested in registering, please visit www.coherehealth.com/webinars.



Did you know? Users that attend webinars are submitting authorizations in the Cohere platform on average, about **1 minute faster** than those who have not attended a webinar.



Cardiovascular Clinical Scope

Effective 8.1.2022



Cohere's Prior Authorization Services Scope for Cardiology Soft Launch (2022)

Effective August 1, 2022

Overview

Cohere Health, a patient journey optimization company, is piloting the deployment of its Digital Prior Authorization solutions in the cardiovascular space; your practice has been selected as an initial design partner.

Clinical Scope

Practices participating in the Cardiology Pilot should use Cohere for any pre-authorizations for the procedure codes listed in the table below.

All practices are encouraged to submit preauthorization requests electronically by registering* for a Cohere account. Only Cohere users can benefit from instant authorization decisions, if eligible.

- New users: register for an account: www.coherehealth.com/register
- **Existing users:** log in to Cohere: www.next.coherehealth.com

Use Cohere to obtain preauthorizations for the following procedure codes:

Service Category	Procedure Codes (HCPCS)
Ablation	93650, 93654, 93653, 93656
Cardiac Devices	0571T, f0572T, 0573T, 0574T, 0580T, 0614T, 33206, 33207, 33208, 33210, 33211, 33212, 33213, 33214, 33216, 33217, 33221, 33224, 33227, 33228, 33229, 33230, 33231, 33233, 33234, 33235, 33240, 33241, 33244, 33249, 33262, 33263, 33264, 33270, 33271, 33272, 33273, 33274, 33275, 33285, 33286, 33289, 33340, 93228, 93229, C1721, C1722, C1777, C1779, C1785, C1786, C1882, C1895,

^{*} If your practice already has access to CohereNext®, please ask any existing CohereNext® administrative user(s) at your practice to create an account for you.



	C1896, C1898, C1899, C1900, C2619, C2620, C2621, C2624
Cardiac procedures/surgeries	0345T, 33361, 33362, 33363, 33364, 33365, 33366, 33418, 33875, 33877, 33880, 33881, 33883, 33886, 34701, 34702, 34703, 34704, 34705, 34706, 34830, 34831, 34832, 34841, 34842, 34843, 34844, 34845, 34846, 34847, 34848, 35301, 37215, 37216, 37217, 37218, 92920, 92928, 92937, 92943, 93451, 93452, 93453, 93454, 93455, 93456, 93457, 93458, 93459, 93460, 93461, 93580, 93593, 93594, 93595, 93596, 93597, C9600, C9604, C9607
Diagnostic/Cardiac Imaging	93350, 93351, C8928, C8930, 93312, 93313, 93314, 93315, 93316, 93317, 93318, 93355, C8925, C8926, C8927, 93303, 93304, 93306, 93307, 93308, C8921, C8922, C8923, C8924, C8929, 93600, 93602, 93603, 93610, 93612, 93618, 93619, 93620, 93624, 93631, 93640, 93641, 93642, 93644, 0577T, 36245, 36246, 36247, 78451, 78452, 78453, 78454, 78466, 78468, 78469, 78472, 78473, 78481, 78483, 78494
Peripheral revascularization	37228, 37229, 37230, 37231, 37220, 37221, 37224, 37225, 37226, 37227, 0505T
Ventricular Assist Devices (VADs)	33995, 33990, 33991