



Weekly Provider News

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Consider Alliance Weight Watchers Support Program Prior to Bariatric Surgery Referral

Effective February 1, 2015 the Alliance has recommended that patients with BMI over 35 that may be considered for bariatric surgery referral, attempt weight loss through conservative means through a supervised, multi-disciplinary diet and exercise program prior to referral. For Alliance members that have not had the opportunity to participate in a program previously, the Weight Watcher's support program is recommended to fulfill this requirement and scholarship information is available as described below.

Primary Care Providers with eligible Alliance members can request members receive a Weight Watchers scholarship by completing the attached referral form and following the instructions on the form.

Providers can download the application from the Alliance Form Library: Health Programs Forms (non CBI) at

www.ccah-alliance.org/formlibrary.html

or call our Health Education Department at (800) 700-3874, ext 5580.

Questions?

Contact your Provider Services Representative or call Provider Services at (800) 700-3874 ext. 5504