

Instructions

A Utilization Review Agent includes any insurer subject to Insurance Law Articles 32 or 43 (“insurers”) and any municipal cooperative health benefit plan certified pursuant to Insurance Law Article 47 performing utilization review (“UR”) on their own behalf and any independent utilization review agent performing UR under contract with such insurer or municipal cooperative health benefit plan. An independent utilization review agent must file a report with the Department of Financial Services (“DFS”) prior to contracting with any such insurer or municipal cooperative health benefit plan. All UR agents must file a UR report with DFS every two (2) years pursuant to Insurance Law Article 49.

This application may be used for new reports; renewals; modifications to documentation on file or change of UR functions performed; and change of the Agent’s name. A modification should be submitted if the UR functions in Section E of the application are changed. Answer all questions on the application. Attach additional pages and requested documentation as necessary. The Attestation is to be signed by the Chief Executive Officer.

Agents must submit all utilization review policy and procedures demonstrating compliance with applicable federal law and regulation, New York State Insurance Law, and state regulation requirements. These procedures must meet the minimum requirements as described on Attachment A.

UR Agents Subject to Other Agencies. UR Agents intending to contract with managed care organizations certified pursuant to Public Health Law Article 44 or Workers’ Compensation Preferred Provider Organizations as provided by 10 NYCRR Part 732 must register with the New York State Department of Health pursuant to Public Health Law Article 49. Agents who perform UR for Medicare Advantage plans should contact the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services for any registration requirements.

Cybersecurity Regulation. See https://www.dfs.ny.gov/industry_guidance/cyber_faqs for information regarding the applicability of the Cybersecurity Regulation.

Submission. The signed Application and Attestation, if in PDF format, and supporting documentation may be submitted electronically to URAgentReport@dfs.ny.gov or a hard copy or CD may be mailed to:

NYS Department of Financial Services
Insurance Division, Health Bureau
One Commerce Plaza
Albany, New York 12257
Attn: UR Agent Report

Questions? Call (518) 486-7815 or email URAgentReport@dfs.ny.gov

Submission Checklist

<input type="checkbox"/>	Completed and signed Application and Attestation, original submitted in hardcopy, CD, or PDF format
<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete set of UR policies and procedures, including UR plan, demonstrating Agent’s ability to carry out the relevant requirements of Insurance Law Articles 32, 43, and 49; 11 NYCRR Part 410; 42 USC § 300gg-19; 42 USC § 300gg-26; 29 USC § 1185a; 45 CFR Parts 146 and 147; and 29 CFR Parts 2560.503-1 and 2590.715-2719 (or, for renewals and modifications, policies and procedures that have been materially changed since last submission, highlighted to show revisions).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Certificate of Incorporation in New York State or other documentation that the Agent has been approved by the Secretary of State to do business in New York State.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Corporate organization chart demonstrating the position of the Agent, subsidiaries, and any parent organizations in the corporate structure (an internal organization chart is not required).
<input type="checkbox"/>	List of all insurers and/or municipal cooperative health benefit plans for which the Agent is performing utilization review in New York State and/or anticipated contract date.
<input type="checkbox"/>	URAC Certificate, if applicable.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Template notice letters.
<input type="checkbox"/>	External Appeal Standard Description and Application: https://www.dfs.ny.gov/docs/insurance/extapp/extappl.pdf