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TO: INSURERS THAT UTILIZE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS

FROM: JOHN F. KING, INSURANCE AND SAFETY FIRE COMMISSIONER

DATE: JULY 22, 2026

RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF SB 5 – RELATING TO PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Senate Bill 5 (SB 5), effective July 1, 2025, amended Chapter 46 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated to add O.C.G.A. § 33-46-20.1. Under this statute “each insurer that utilizes prior authorization requirements shall make the filing provided for in [...Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) § 33-46-20.1(b)] and such filing shall be submitted annually in a form and manner provided for by rules and regulations promulgated by the Commissioner.”

The OCI has contracted with Risk & Regulatory Consulting, LLC (RRC) to facilitate the collection of this required filing. This submission filing is being collected and reviewed in conjunction with the annual Utilization Review activity data call requirements.

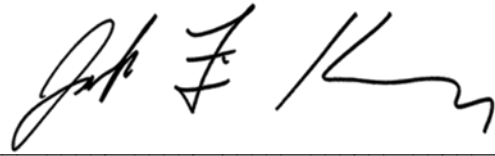
Filing Due Date: Pursuant to OCI’s authority under O.C.G.A. § 33-46-20.1(c), each insurer subject to the requirements of SB 5 must submit the requested information to OCI annually, no later than July 1. However, for this first required Form submission, a one-time extension to August 21, 2026 is granted.

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

All insurers utilizing prior authorization requirements must comply with SB5’s reporting obligations.

1. At least five business days prior to the submission Filing Due Date, submit to GADataCall@riskreg.com the name, title, e-mail address, and phone number of the contact person(s) responsible for the data submission along with Company Name and NAIC CoCode. When submitting the data call requirements, please include the following in the email subject line: “OCI Gold Card UR Data Call,” data year, Company NAIC CoCode, and Company Name. An example subject line would be: **OCI Gold Card UR Data Call 2026, NAIC Code 12345 – ABC Company.**
2. RRC will then create an Insurer-Specific Submission Folder on a secure ShareFile website containing a submission Form that follows the reporting requirements under GA Ins. R. & Reg. Subject 120-2-113-.04.
3. The insurer must complete and upload the completed Form, provided in instruction 2 above, to the secure Insurer-Specific Data Call folder by the filing due date noted above.

For any questions, contact the OCI by email at marketconduct@oci.ga.gov and copy GADataCall@riskreg.com.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John F. King". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being the most prominent.

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