

## Case Summary

### Provider:

- Dr. Javaid Perwaiz / Prov # 52618 / Vender # 501988 / 100666 OB/GYN  
Effective PAR date with Optima – 06-01-1998

### Allegation:

- 07/03/2012 - Internal Referral from Clinical Care Services (CCS) - alerted SIU that Dr. Javaid Perwaiz is suspected of possible overutilization of hysteroscopies.

### Investigation:

- Comparative data was run through ProdMod to explore if Dr. Javaid Perwaiz was an outlier to his peers.
- Preliminary data revealed the average visit per member is 2.8 as compared to his peers, which were 2.3 visits per member. The standard deviation is 0.7, so he is within 1 standard deviation ( $2.8 - 2.3 = 0.5$ ).
- Comparative data also revealed 10.9% of his members receive a diagnostic hysteroscopy and 12% receive a surgical hysteroscopy compared to 1% of his peers. Diagnostic hysteroscopy followed by a surgical hysteroscopy was 44% as compared to 0.00% of his peers.
- 07/26/2012 - Medical records request was sent to Dr. Javaid Perwaiz for twenty (20) random members who had received both a diagnostic hysteroscopy and surgical hysteroscopy from Dr. Perwaiz.
- 08/26/2012 - Medical records were received by Optima Health. Initial assessment of medical records pointed towards overutilization of hysteroscopies.





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- 02/22/2013 – Blinded medical records were provided to Dr. Valentine by Dr. Heuser for initial peer review. Dr. Valentine’s assessment indicated he felt there was overutilization. He also feels we should ask Dr. Perwaiz for an explanation of the aggressive approach and variation from others and for him to describe any conservative treatments that do not appear in the medical records.
  - 03/25/2013 – Meeting between Dr. Heuser, Dr. Merti, Dave Neuwirth, Carrie Abenante and Michele Nickodemus. It was discussed Dr. Heuser and Dr. Merti will draft a letter to Dr. Perwaiz addressing areas of concern and asking questions surrounding his treatment/procedures. The letter will allow for Dr. Perwaiz to respond. Once Dr. Perwaiz responds, the findings will be taken to Dr. Holly Puritz to review and provide feedback and insight prior to the case going to PAC. Dave will run some up-to-date data to see if the pattern of overutilization is continuing.

**Findings:**

- Of twenty (20) random members audited, fifteen (15) had a routine GYN or new patient visit that resulted in a diagnostic hysteroscopy followed by a surgical hysteroscopy. Note: Six (6) new patient visits as compared to nine (9) established patients.
- No trending of PCP referrals noted
- Of twenty (20) random members audited, ten (10) were noted to have pathology reports that do not correlate to the op notes/hysteroscopy findings.

**Recommendation:**

- Discussions with Dr. Perwaiz regarding his aggressive approach and conservative treatments.
- Additional Review by PAC
- Review internal preauthorization procedures
- Place Dr. Perwaiz under internal review