

# The Bulletin

This monthly bulletin includes recent changes to our medical policies and reimbursement policies. It is a supplement to our bimonthly provider newsletter, <u>The Connection</u>. **Note**: Medication policy updates are published in *The Connection*. Dental policy updates are published in the News section of <u>asurisdental.com/providers</u>.

## **Medical policies**

## Commercial

#### Changes effective October 1, 2023 Medicine

- Digital Therapeutic Products for Amblyopia (#175.04)
  - New medical policy with investigational criteria
- New and Emerging Medical Technologies and Procedures (#149)
  - Updated to align with the Q4 2023 quarterly code update

#### Radiology

- Opto-acoustic Imaging of the Breast (#60)
  - New medical policy with investigational criteria

#### Changes effective November 1, 2023 Durable Medical Equipment

- Power Wheelchairs: Group 3 (#37)
  - o Updated the criteria for clarity with no change to policy intent

#### **Genetic Testing**

- Noninvasive Prenatal Testing to Determine Fetal Aneuploidies, Microdeletions, Single-Gene Disorders, and Twin Zygosity (#44)
  - Clarified that standard trisomy testing (chromosomes 13, 18 and 21) may be medically necessary
  - Clarified that combination tests that include investigational components are considered investigational

#### Surgery

- Stereotactic Radiosurgery and Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy of Intracranial, Skull Base, and Orbital Sites (#213)
  - Updated the criteria for clarity with no change to policy intent

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## Medicare Advantage

#### Changes effective October 1, 2023 Medicine

- Investigational (Experimental) Services, New and Emerging Medical Technologies and Procedures, and Other Non-Covered Services (#149)
  - Updated to align with the Q4 2023 quarterly code update to address new investigational (experimental) medical technologies

#### Radiology

- Opto-acoustic Imaging of the Breast (#60)
  - New Medicare Advantage medical policy

View our Medicare Advantage Medical Policy Manual

#### Join our medical policy discussion

We welcome your input and feedback as we draft our medical policies. <u>Join our</u> <u>email reviewer list</u>. While we prefer to receive input as policies are developed, we also have a formal process that allows you to submit additional information, such as clinical trial results, that may warrant a policy review.

#### Recent updates and archived medical policies

<u>Recent updates and archived medical policies</u> may include revisions that will be published in the next issue of *The Bulletin*.

## **Reimbursement policies**

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#### Changes effective November 1, 2023 Administrative

- Bundling Edits (#105)
  - Added information about MultiPlan Secondary Editor code edits

COVID-19 Testing (#137)
o Archived reimbursement policy

### **Medicare Advantage**

#### Changes effective November 1, 2023 Administrative

- COVID-19 Testing (#137)
  - o Archived reimbursement policy

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#### Join our reimbursement policy discussion

Comments from physicians and other health care professionals regarding reimbursement policies are welcome. If you have a comment regarding a reimbursement policy, please complete the <u>Reimbursement Policy Feedback</u> <u>Form</u>.

#### Verify your provider information

Providing up-to-date and accurate information about the providers in each of our networks is critical for our members to access care and a compliance requirement for the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and Medicare Advantage plans.

#### Validating provider directory content

Please <u>follow these steps</u> to review the information about your practice every 90 days. **Please respond timely to any requests from us for verification of your directory data**.

If your clinic or facility submits provider rosters to us, please submit changes, corrections, additions or terminations immediately so we can update our directories as soon as possible. Your roster must be validated and reviewed in its entirety at least once per quarter.

We appreciate your assistance in keeping information about your practice up to date.