

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan Medical Policy Update Bulletin: June 2023

Access a policy listed below for complete details on the latest updates. A comprehensive summary of changes is provided at the bottom of every policy document for your reference. To view a detailed version of this bulletin, click [here](#).

Take Note

Quarterly CPT® and HCPCS Code Updates

Beginning Jul. 1, 2023, all applicable Medical Policies and Medical Benefit Drug Policies will be updated to reflect the quarterly Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®) and Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code additions, revisions, and deletions. Refer to the following sources for information on the code updates:

- [American Medical Association. Current Procedural Terminology: CPT®](#)
- [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System: HCPCS Quarterly Update](#)

Complete details on impacted policies and corresponding code edits will be provided in the July 2023 edition of the Medical Policy Update Bulletin.

Community Plan of Nebraska to Use National Policy Version

Effective **Jun. 1, 2023**, Community Plan of Nebraska will no longer maintain a state-specific version of the Medical Policy titled *Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy (for Nebraska Only)*; coverage guidelines for the state of Nebraska will now be provided in the Community Plan National policy version titled *Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy*.

Medical Policy Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Athletic Pubalgia Surgery (for New Jersey Only)	Revised	Jul. 1, 2023
Beds and Mattresses (for New Jersey Only)	Revised	Jul. 1, 2023
Breast Reduction Surgery	Updated	Aug. 1, 2023
Breast Reduction Surgery (for New Jersey Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2023
Chemotherapy Observation or Inpatient Hospitalization (for New Jersey Only)	Revised	Jul. 1, 2023
Continuous Glucose Monitoring and Insulin Delivery for Managing Diabetes	Revised	Aug. 1, 2023
Corneal Collagen Cross-Linking	New	Sep. 1, 2023
Corneal Collagen Cross-Linking (for New Jersey Only)	New	Sep. 1, 2023
Enteral Nutrition (Oral and Tube Feeding)	Revised	Aug. 1, 2023
Enteral Nutrition (Oral and Tube Feeding) (for New Jersey Only)	Revised	Aug. 1, 2023
Fecal Microbiota Transplantation	New	Sep. 1, 2023
Fecal Microbiota Transplantation (for New Jersey Only)	New	Sep. 1, 2023
Genitourinary Pathogen Nucleic Acid Detection Testing	Updated	Jun. 1, 2023
Genitourinary Pathogen Nucleic Acid Detection Testing (for New Jersey Only)	Updated	Jun. 1, 2023
Orthognathic (Jaw) Surgery	Updated	Aug. 1, 2023
Orthognathic (Jaw) Surgery (for New Jersey Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2023
Panniculectomy and Body Contouring Procedures	Updated	Aug. 1, 2023

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Panniculectomy and Body Contouring Procedures (for New Jersey Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2023
Patient Lifts	Updated	Aug. 1, 2023
Patient Lifts (for New Jersey Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2023
Pediatric Gait Trainers and Standing Systems (for New Jersey Only)	Updated	Jul. 1, 2023
Preimplantation Genetic Testing and Related Services	Revised	Aug. 1, 2023
Preimplantation Genetic Testing and Related Services (for New Jersey Only)	Revised	Aug. 1, 2023
Prostate Surgeries and Interventions (for New Jersey Only)	Revised	Aug. 1, 2023
Surgery of the Foot	Revised	Aug. 1, 2023
Surgical and Ablative Procedures for Venous Insufficiency and Varicose Veins (for New Jersey Only)	Revised	Jul. 1, 2023
Walkers (for New Jersey Only)	Updated	Jul. 1, 2023

Medical Benefit Drug Policy Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Denied Drug Codes – Pharmacy Benefit Drugs (for Arizona Only)	Revised	Jul. 1, 2023
Evkeeza® (Evinacumab-Dgnb)	Revised	Jul. 1, 2023
Hemgenix® (Etranacogene Dezaparvovec-Drlb)	Updated	Jul. 1, 2023
Intravenous Enzyme Replacement Therapy (ERT) for Gaucher Disease	Revised	Jul. 1, 2023
Maximum Dosage and Frequency	Revised	Jul. 1, 2023
Monoclonal Antibodies Directed Against Amyloid for the Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease	Updated	Jul. 1, 2023
Oncology Medication Clinical Coverage	Updated	Jul. 1, 2023
Provider Administered Drugs – Site of Care	Revised	Jun. 1, 2023
Self-Administered Medications	New	Jul. 1, 2023
Somatostatin Analogs	Revised	Jul. 1, 2023
Spevigo® (Spesolimab-Sbzo)	Updated	Jun. 1, 2023
Trogarzo® (Ibalizumab-Uiyk)	Revised	Jul. 1, 2023
Tzield™ (Teplizumab-Mzwv)	Updated	Jul. 1, 2023
Zolgensma® (Onasemnogene Abeparvovec-Xioi)	Updated	Jun. 1, 2023

General Information

The inclusion of a health service (e.g., test, drug, device or procedure) in this bulletin indicates only that UnitedHealthcare is adopting a new policy and/or updated, revised, replaced or retired an existing policy; it does not imply that UnitedHealthcare provides coverage for the health service. Note that most benefit plan documents exclude from benefit coverage health services identified as investigational or unproven/not medically necessary. Physicians and other health care professionals may not seek or collect payment from a member for services not covered by the applicable benefit plan unless first obtaining the member's written consent, acknowledging that the service is not covered by the benefit plan and that they will be billed directly for the service.

Note: The absence of a policy does not automatically indicate or imply coverage. As always, coverage for a health service must be determined in accordance with the member's benefit plan and any applicable federal or state regulatory requirements. Additionally, UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to review the clinical evidence supporting the safety and effectiveness of a medical technology prior to rendering a coverage determination.

UnitedHealthcare respects the expertise of the physicians, health care professionals, and their staff who participate in our network. Our goal is to support you and your patients in making the most informed decisions regarding the choice of quality and cost-effective care, and to support practice staff with a simple and predictable administrative experience. The Medical Policy Update Bulletin was developed to share important information regarding UnitedHealthcare Medical Policy, Medical Benefit Drug Policy, Coverage Determination Guideline, and Utilization Review Guideline updates. When information in this bulletin conflicts with applicable state and/or federal law, UnitedHealthcare follows such applicable federal and/or state law.

Policy Update Classifications

New

New clinical coverage criteria have been adopted for a health service (e.g., test, drug, device or procedure)

Updated

An existing policy has been reviewed and changes have not been made to the clinical coverage criteria; however, items such as the clinical evidence, FDA information, and/or list(s) of applicable codes may have been updated

Revised

An existing policy has been reviewed and revisions have been made to the clinical coverage criteria

Replaced

An existing policy has been replaced with a new or different policy

Retired

The health service(s) addressed in the policy are no longer being managed or are considered to be proven/medically necessary and are therefore not excluded as unproven/not medically necessary services, unless coverage guidelines or criteria are otherwise documented in another policy



The complete library of UnitedHealthcare Community Plan Medical Policies, Medical Benefit Drug Policies, Coverage Determination Guidelines, and Utilization Review Guidelines is available at UHCprovider.com > Policies and Protocols > Community Plan Policies > [Medical & Drug Policies and Coverage Determination Guidelines for Community Plan](#).