

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Pennsylvania Medical Policy Update Bulletin: April 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 HCPCS Code Updates

Effective Apr. 1, 2023, all applicable Medical Benefit Drug Policies have been updated to reflect the quarterly Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code additions and revisions. Refer to the [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System: HCPCS Level II](#) for information on the code updates.

For the list of impacted policies and corresponding details, click [here](#).

Medical Policy Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Articular Cartilage Defect Repairs (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	May 1, 2023
Durable Medical Equipment, Orthotics, Medical Supplies and Repairs/Replacements (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2023
Electrical Stimulation for the Treatment of Pain and Muscle Rehabilitation (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2023
Hearing Aids and Devices Including Wearable, Bone-Anchored and Semi-Implantable (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	May 1, 2023
Hysterectomy (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	May 1, 2023
Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	Jun. 1, 2023
Mobility Devices, Options and Accessories (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2023
Outpatient Surgical Procedures – Site of Service (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	May 1, 2023
Transcatheter Heart Valve Procedures (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2023

Medical Benefit Drug Policy Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Hemgenix® (Etranacogene Dezaparvovec-Drlb)	Revised	May 1, 2023
Maximum Dosage and Frequency (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	May 1, 2023
Monoclonal Antibodies Directed Against Amyloid for the Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease	New	May 1, 2023
Tzield™ (Teplizumab-Mzwv)	Revised	May 1, 2023

Coverage Determination Guideline Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Power Mobility Devices (for Pennsylvania Only)	Replaced	Jun. 1, 2023
Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve/Joint Stimulators (for Pennsylvania Only)	Replaced	Apr. 1, 2023
Wheelchair Options and Accessories (for Pennsylvania Only)	Replaced	Jun. 1, 2023
Wheelchair Seating (for Pennsylvania Only)	Replaced	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 Community Plan of Pennsylvania 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 Medical Policies, Medical Benefit Drug Policies, Coverage Determination Guidelines, and Utilization Review Guidelines for UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Pennsylvania is available at UHCprovider.com/PA > Medicaid (Community Plan) > Current Policies and Clinical Guidelines > [UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Pennsylvania Medical & Drug Policies and Coverage Determination Guidelines](#).