

**An Important Message from
The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC)**

New Texas Medicaid Genetic Testing Policy Implementing Oct. 1, 2025

Background:

HHSC has created an overarching policy for genetic testing benefits for Texas Medicaid clients. This policy includes language previously found in the Genetic Services Medicaid policy. The new Genetic Testing policy language can be found in the Radiology and Laboratory Services Handbook in the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual effective Oct. 1, 2025.

Please note that existing standalone genetic testing policies such as the Breast Cancer Gene 1 and 2 (BRCA) Testing, Cytogenetics Testing, Noninvasive Prenatal Screening (NIPS), etc. will continue to remain discrete and distinct policies.

Key Details:

Effective Oct. 1, 2025, the new Genetic Testing Medicaid policy establishes general overarching policy language for fee-for-service genetic testing benefits where standard benefit statements including medical necessity, prior authorization, restriction/limitation, billing, documentation, claim processing, etc. can be found.

This policy also captures certain existing genetic testing benefits that are currently listed only in the Texas Medicaid fee schedule but are without existing benefit language. This policy does not add new benefit coverage. This policy will serve as a general location for future genetic testing benefit language that may not require an independent policy.

Resources:

Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual - [Radiology and Laboratory Services Handbook](#)

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