

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Pennsylvania Medical Policy Update Bulletin: January 2024

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

Annual HCPCS Code Updates

Effective **Jan. 1, 2024**, all applicable Medical Benefit Drug Policies have been updated to reflect the 2024 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code additions and deletions. Refer to the [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services: Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System \(HCPCS\) Quarterly Update](#) 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
Ablative Treatment for Spinal Pain (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	Jan. 1, 2024
Abnormal Uterine Bleeding and Uterine Fibroids (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Apheresis (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Brow Ptosis and Eyelid Repair (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Feb. 1, 2024
Computer-Assisted Surgical Navigation for Musculoskeletal Procedures (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	Jan. 1, 2024
Electric Tumor Treatment Field Therapy (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Hepatitis Screening (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	Jan. 1, 2024
Minimally Invasive Procedures for Gastric and Esophageal Diseases (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Molecular Oncology Companion Diagnostic Testing (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Molecular Oncology Testing for Hematologic Cancer Diagnosis, Prognosis, and Treatment Decisions (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Molecular Oncology Testing for Solid Tumor Cancer Diagnosis, Prognosis, and Treatment Decisions (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Neurophysiologic Testing and Monitoring (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	Mar. 1, 2024
Obstructive and Central Sleep Apnea Treatment (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Pharmacogenetic Panel Testing (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	Mar. 1, 2024
Plagiocephaly and Craniosynostosis Treatment (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	Jan. 1, 2024
Total Artificial Disc Replacement for the Spine (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Treatment of Temporomandibular Joint Disorders (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Video Electroencephalographic (vEEG) Monitoring and Recording (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	Jan. 1, 2024

Medical Benefit Drug Policy Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Neonatal Fc Receptor Blockers (Vyvgart®, Vyvgart® Hytrulo, & Rystiggo®)	Revised	Feb. 1, 2024
Reblozyl® (Luspatercept-Aamt)	Revised	Feb. 1, 2024

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 and Medical Benefit Drug Policy 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 and Medical Benefit Drug Policies 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](#).