

Services that require precertification¹

Precertification List Effective: 1/1/2022

This applies to elective, nonemergency services.

Some services or supplies in this list may not be covered by your benefits plan. Please check your benefit plan documents.

Inpatient services

- Acute rehabilitation admissions
- Elective surgical and nonsurgical inpatient admissions
- Elective inpatient hospital-to-hospital transfers
- Inpatient hospice admissions
- Long term acute care (LTAC) facility admissions
- Skilled nursing facility admissions

Procedures

- Carticel (ACI), osteochondral allograft, and autograft transplantations¹
- Cochlear implant surgery
- Obesity surgery

Reconstructive procedures and potentially cosmetic procedures

- Blepharoplasty/blepharoptosis repair
- Bone graft, genioplasty, and mentoplasty
- Breast: reconstruction, reduction, augmentation, mammoplasty, mastopexy, insertion and removal of breast implants
- Canthopexy/canthoplasty
- Cervicoplasty
- Chemical peels
- Dermabrasion
- Excision of subcutaneous skin and/or subcutaneous tissue
- Gender reassignment surgery
- Genetically and bioengineered skin substitutes for wound care
- Hair transplants
- Injectable dermal fillers
- Keloid removal
- Lipectomy, liposuction, or any other excess fat removal procedure
- Otoplasty

- Rhinoplasty
- Rhytidectomy
- Scar revision
- Skin closures, including:
 - Skin grafts
 - Skin flaps
 - Tissue grafts
- Surgery for varicose veins, including perforators and sclerotherapy

Experimental or investigational

Any procedure, device, or service that may be considered experimental or investigational, including:

- New emerging technology/procedures, as well as existing technology and procedures applied for new uses and treatments

Day rehabilitation programs

Elective (nonemergency) ground, air, and sea ambulance transportation

Outpatient private-duty nursing

Interventional pain management services¹

- Epidural injection procedures and diagnostic selective nerve root blocks
- Paravertebral facet injection/nerve block/neurolysis
- Regional sympathetic nerve block
- Sacroiliac joint injections
- Implanted spinal cord stimulators

Radiology¹

- Cardiac blood pool imaging or MUGA-resting or exercise
- Computed tomography (CT), cardiac
- Computed tomography (CT), coronaries
- Computed tomography angiogram (CTA), coronaries
- Magnetic resonance angiography (MRA), cardiac
- Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), cardiac
- Myocardial perfusion imaging
- Positron emission tomography (PET) scan/positron emission transverse tomography (PETT) scan
- Single-photon emission computerized tomography (SPECT), technetium or thallium

Home-care services

- Enteral feeding therapy (tube feeding)
- Home health care
- Home infusion therapy
- Hospice

Prosthetics/orthoses

- Custom ankle-foot orthoses
- Custom knee-ankle-foot orthoses
- Custom knee braces
- Custom limb prosthetics, including accessories/components
- Repair or replacement of all prosthetics/orthoses that require precertification

Durable medical equipment (DME)

- Bone growth stimulators
- Bone-anchored (osseointegrated) hearing aids
- Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) device and bi-level (Bi-PAP) devices¹
- Dynamic adjustable and static progressive stretching devices (excludes CPMs)
- Electric, power, and motorized wheelchairs, including custom accessories
- Insulin pumps
- Manual wheelchairs, unless they are rented
- Negative-pressure wound therapy
- Neuromuscular stimulators
- Power-operated vehicles (POV)
- Pressure-reducing support surfaces, including:
 - Air-fluidized bed
 - Non-powered advanced pressure-reducing mattress
 - Powered air flotation bed (low air loss therapy)
 - Powered pressure-reducing mattress
- Push rim activated power-assist devices
- Repair or replacement of all DME items that require precertification
- Speech-generating devices

Medical foods

Hyperbaric oxygen therapy

Proton beam therapy¹

Sleep studies (facility-based)¹

Transplants

All transplant procedures, with the exception of corneal transplants

Mental health/serious mental illness/substance abuse²

- Mental health and serious mental illness treatment (inpatient/partial hospitalization programs/intensive outpatient programs)
- Repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation (rTMS)
- Substance abuse treatment (inpatient/partial hospitalization programs/intensive outpatient programs)

Autism spectrum disorders

Applied behavioral analysis

¹ Precertification review benefit varies based on decision by member's employer group.

² Precertification review for this service is provided by Magellan Healthcare, Inc., an independent company.

Genetic and genomic tests requiring precertification¹

The following list is a guide to the types of genetic and genomic tests that require precertification. Due to the volume of tests, it is not possible to list each test separately.

Hereditary cancer syndromes

- BRCA gene testing (breast and ovarian cancer syndrome)
- Lynch syndrome gene testing
- Familial adenomatous polyposis gene testing
- PTEN gene testing (Cowden syndrome)
- General cancer type panels (such as colon, breast, or neuroendocrine cancers)

Hereditary heart diseases

- Long QT syndrome gene testing
- Aortic dilation or aneurysm syndrome testing (includes Marfan syndrome)

Other full gene analysis testing

- Cystic fibrosis full gene sequencing and deletion/duplication analysis
- PMP22 full gene sequencing and deletion/ duplication analysis (Charcot-Marie-Tooth, hereditary neuropathy)

Tests for many genetic disorders simultaneously

- Expanded carrier screening panels (such as Carrier Status DNA Insight[®], Counsyl Family Prep Screen, Pan-Ethnic Carrier Screening)
- Hearing loss panels
- Intellectual disability panels
- Noonan spectrum disorders panels

Specialty oncology tests

- Cancer gene expression or protein signature tests (such as OncotypeDX[®], MammaPrint[®], Afirma[®], Prosigna[®], HeproDX[™])
- Tumor molecular profiling (such as FoundationOne[®], neoTYPE[™], OncoPlexDx[®], and many others)
- Tissue of origin testing (for cancer of unknown primary)
- PCA3 testing for prostate cancer

Pharmacogenomic tests

- Cytochrome P450 metabolism gene testing (CYP2D6, CYP2C9, CYP2C19)
- Specialized drug response gene panels (such as Assurex GeneSight[®], GeneTrait, Genecept[®], Millennium PGTSM)
- Warfarin response testing
- MGMT methylation analysis for glioblastoma

Other specialty tests

- Coronary artery disease risk testing (such as CorusCAD[®], CardioIQ[®], APOE, ACE, KIF6)
- Heart disease risk testing (such as CorusCAD[®], CardioIQ[®], APOE, ACE, KIF6, MTHFR)

Genome-wide tests

- Microarray studies
- Whole exome testing
- Whole genome testing
- Mitochondrial genome or nuclear testing

ANY genetic test for more than one gene or condition (often includes words like “panel” or “comprehensive” in the name)

ANY genetic test that will be billed with a non-specific procedure code

- Billed with CPT[®] codes 81400–81408 (CPT Copyright 2016 American Medical Association. All rights reserved. CPT[®] is a registered trademark of the American Medical Association.)
- Billed with an unlisted code: 81479, 81599, 84999

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Specialty drugs that require precertification

All listed brands and their generic equivalents or biosimilars require precertification. This list is subject to change.

[Direct Ship Drug Program](#)

Antineoplastic agents/Chemotherapy

- Abraxane[®] (paclitaxel protein-bound particles)
- Adcetris[®] (brentuximab vedotin)
- Alimta[®] (pemetrexed Disodium)
- Avastin[®]† (bevacizumab)
(except for ophthalmological conditions)
- Azedra[®]P (iobenguane I- 131)
- Blenrep[™] (belantamab mafodotin)
- Blincyto[®] (blinatumomab)
- Cyramza[®] (ramucirumab)
- Darzalex[®] (daratumumab)
- Darzalex Faspro[™] (daratumumab/hyaluronidase-fihj)
- Enhertu (fam-trastuzumab-deruxtecan-nxki)
- Erbitux[®] (cetuximab)
- Erwinaze[®] (asparaginase *Erwinia chrysanthemi*)
- Herceptin[®]‡ (trastuzumab)
- Herceptin Hylecta[™] (Trastuzumab)
- Herzuma[®] (trastuzumab-pkrb)
- Instiladrin[®] (nadofaragene firadenovec)
- Kadcyca[®] (ado-trastuzumab emtansinel)
- Kanjinti[™] (trastuzumab-anns)
- Kyprolis[®] (carfilzomib)
- Lumoxiti[™] (moxetumomab pasudotox-tdfk)
- Margenza (margetuximab)
- Monjuvi[®] (tafasitamab-cxix)
- Mvasi[™] (bevacizumab- awwb)
(except for eye conditions)
- Ogivri[™] (trastuzumab-dkst)
- Ontruzant[®]
- oportuzumab monatox*
- Padcev[™] (enfortumab vedotin-ejfv)
- Pemfexy[™] (pemetrexed)
- Perjeta[®] (pertuzumab)
- Phesgo[™] (pertuzumab/trastuzumab/
hyaluronidase-zzxf)
- Polivy[™] (Polatuzumab vedotin-piiq)
- Poteligeo[™] (mogamulizumab)
- Provenge[®] (sipuleucel-T)
- Riabni[™] (rituximab-arrx)
- Rituxan[®]‡ (rituximab)
- Rituxan Hycela[™] (rituximab/ hyaluronidase human)
- Ruxience[™] (Rituximab-pvvr)
- Rybrevant (amivantamab-vmjw)
- Rylaze[™] (asparaginase *Erwinia chrysanthemi*
[recombinant]-rywn)
- Sarclisa (isatuximab-irfc)
- SH-111*
- Taclantis^{*} (paclitaxel injection concentrate for suspension)

- Tivdak[™] (tisotumab vedotin-tftv)
- Trazimera[™]
- Trodelvy[™] (sacituzumab govitecan-hziy)
- Truxima[®] (Rituximab-abbs)
- ublituximab*
- Xofigo[®]P (radium Ra 223)
- Yervoy[™] (ipilimumab)
- Zepzelca[™] (lurbinectedin)
- Zevalin[®]P (ibritumomab tiuxetan)
- Zirabev[®] (except for ophthalmological conditions)
- Zynlonta[™] (loncastuximab tesirine)

Anti-PD-1/ PD-L1 human monoclonal antibodies/Chemotherapy**

- balstilimab*
- Bavencio[®] (avelumab)
- Imfinzi[™] (durvalumab)
- Jemperli (dostarlimab-gxly)
- Keytruda[™] (pembrolizumab)
- Libtayo[®] (cemiplimab-rwlc)
- Opdivo[®] (nivolumab)
- penpulimab*
- retifanlimab*
- sintilimab*
- Tecentriq[™] (atezolizumab)

Bone-modifying agents

- Evenity[®] (romosozumab-aqqg)
- Prolia[®] (denosumab)
- Xgeva[®] (denosumab)

Botulinum toxin agents

- Botox[®] (onabotulinumtoxinA)
- Dysport[®] (abobotulinumtoxinA)
- Myobloc[®] (rimabotulinumtoxinB)
- Xeomin[®] (incobotulinumtoxinA)

Chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting (CINV) agents

- Sustol® (granisetron extended-release for injection)

Chimeric antigen receptor (CAR-T) therapies/Chemotherapy**

- Abecma™ (idecabtagene vicleucel)
- Breyanzi® (lisocabtagene maraleucel)
- ciltacabtagene autoleucel*
- Kymriah™ (tisagenlecleucel)
- Tecartus™ (brexucabtagene autoleucel)
- Yescarta™ (axicabtagene ciloleucel)

Colony-stimulating factors

- Fulphila™ (pegfilgrastim-jmbd)
- Lapelga*
- Neulasta®‡ (pegfilgrastim)
- Neulasta Onpro™ (Pegfilgrastim body injector kit)
- Neupogen® (filgrastim)
- Nivestym™ (filgrastim-aafi)
- Nyvepria™ (pegfilgrastim-apgf)
- Rolontis®* (eflapegrastim)
- Udenyca™ (pegfilgrastim-cbqv)
- Ziextenzo® (pegfilgrastim-bmez)

Endocrine/metabolic agents

- Acthar H.P.® (corticotropin)
- cosyntropin depot*
- Lutathera®^P (lutetium Lu 177 dotatate)^P/chemotherapy
- Makena® (hydroxyprogesterone caproate)
- Sandostatin® LAR (octreotide) /chemotherapy
- Somatuline® depot (lanreotide) /chemotherapy

Enzyme replacement agents**

- Aldurazyme® (laronidase)
- Brineura™ (cerliponase alfa)
- Cerezyme® (imiglucerase)
- cipaglucosidase alfa*
- Elaprase® (idursulfase)
- Elelyso® (taliglucerase alfa)
- Fabrazyme® (agalsidase beta)
- Kanuma® (sebelipase alfa)
- Lumizyme® (alglucosidase alfa)
- Mepsevii™ (vestronidase alfa-vjvk)
- Naglazyme® (galsulfase)
- Nexviazyme® (avalglucosidase alfa)
- olipudase alfa*
- pegunigalsidase alfa*
- Replagal®* (agalsidase alfa)
- Revcovi™ (elapegademase-lvlr)
- Vimizim™ (elosulfase alfa)
- VPRIV® (velaglucerase alfa)

Gene Replacement Therapy**

- Luxturna™ (voretigene neparvovec-rzyl)
- Roctavian* (valoctocogene roxaparvovec)
- Zolgensma® (onasemnogene abeparvovec-xioi)
- Zynteglo*

Hemophilia/Coagulation factors**

Hyaluronate acid products

- Cingal* (triamcinolone and Monovisc)
- Durolane®
- Euflexxa™
- Gel-One®
- Gelsyn-3™
- GenVisc 850®
- Hyalgan®
- Hymovis®
- Supartz®
- Synjoynt™
- Triluron™
- TriVisc™
- VISC0-3®

Immunological agents

- Actemra® (tocilizumab)
- Avsola™ (infliximab-axxq)
- Benlysta® (belimumab)
- Entyvio™ (vedolizumab)
- Ilumya™ (infliximab-dyyb)
- Inflectra™ (tildrakizumab-Asmn)
- Ixifi™ (infliximab-qbtx)
- Orencia® (abatacept)
- Remicade®‡ (infliximab)
- Renflexis™ (infliximab-abda)
- Saphnelo™ (anifrolumab)
- Simponi® Aria (golimumab for infusion)
- Stelara® (ustekinumab)

Intravenous Immune Globulin/Subcutaneous Immune Globulin (IVIG/SCIG)**

Multiple sclerosis agents**

- Lemtrada® (alemtuzumab)
- Ocrevus™ (ocrelizumab)
- Tysabri® (natalizumab)

Neutropenia

- efbemalenograstim*
- plinabulin*

Ophthalmic agents

- abicipar*
- Beovu®
- Byooviz™ (ranibizumab-nuna)
- faricimab*
- Eylea®
- Lucentis®‡
- Susvimo™ (ranibizumab injection, port delivery system)
- Tepezza™ (teprotumumab-trbw)

Pulmonary arterial hypertension**

- Flolan® (epoprostenol GM)
- Remodulin® (treprostinil)
- Revatio®
- Trevyent® (treprostinil)
- Tyvaso®
- Veletri® (epoprostenol AS)
- Ventavis®

Respiratory agents

- Cinqair® (reslizumab)
- Synagis® (Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), monoclonal antibody, recombinant)
- Xolair® (omalizumab)

Respiratory enzymes (Alpha-1 antitrypsin)**

- Aralast
- Glassia™
- Prolastin®
- Zemaira®

Miscellaneous therapeutic agents

- Adakveo® (crizanlizumab-tmca)
- Ampligen®* (rintatolimod)
- Cosela®
- Crysvida® (burosumab-twza)
- donislecel*
- efgartigimod
- Evkeeza™ (evinacumab)
- Exenatide sustained- release ITCA 650*
- Gamifant®
- Givlaari® (givosiran)
- Ilaris® (canakinumab)
- inclisiran
- Krystexxa®
- narsoplimab*
- Onpattro™ (patisiran)
- Oxlumo® (lumasiran)
- Radicava™ (ravulizumab)
- Reblozyl® (luspatercept-aamt)
- Remune*
- Rethymic™ (allogeneic processed thymus tissue-agdc)
- Soliris®‡ (eculizumab)
- Spinraza™ (nusinersen)
- sutimlimab*
- teplizumab*
- Ultomiris™ (ravulizumab-cwvz)
- Uplizna™ (inebilizumab)
- vutrisiran*
- Vyepti™ (eptinezumab-jjmr)
- Xiaflex®

‡ Precertification requirements apply to all FDA-approved biosimilars to this originator product.

* Pending FDA approval.

** All drugs that can be classified under this header require precertification. This includes any unlisted brand or generic names or biosimilars, as well as new drugs that are approved by the FDA in that class during the course of the benefit year.

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