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Prior Authorization Requirement Changes Effective July 1, 2024

Please note, this communication applies to Healthy Blue + MedicareSM (HMO-POS D-SNP) offered by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina (Blue Cross NC).

Effective July 1, 2024, prior authorization (PA) requirements will change for the following code(s). The medical code(s) listed below will require PA by Blue Cross NC for Healthy Blue + Medicare members. Federal and state law, as well as state contract language and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services guidelines (including definitions and specific contract provisions/exclusions), take precedence over these precertification rules and must be considered first when determining coverage. **Non-compliance with new requirements may result in denied claims.**

Prior authorization requirements will be added for the following code(s):

Code	Description
0088U	Transplantation medicine (kidney allograft rejection), microarray gene expression profiling of 1494 genes, utilizing transplant biopsy tissue, algorithm reported as a probability score for rejection Molecular Microscope® MMDx—Kidney, Kashi Clinical Laboratories
0342U	Oncology (pancreatic cancer), multiplex immunoassay of C5, C4, cystatin C, factor B, osteoprotegerin (OPG), gelsolin, IGFBP3, CA125 and multiplex electrochemiluminescent immunoassay (ECLIA) for CA19-9, serum, diagnostic algorithm reported qualitatively as positive, negative, or borderline
0361U	Neurofilament light chain, digital immunoassay, plasma, quantitative Neurofilament Light Chain (NfL), Mayo Clinic, Mayo Clinic

<https://www.bluecrossnc.com/providers/networks-programs/blue-medicare/healthy-blue-medicare>

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0390U	Obstetrics (preeclampsia), kinase insert domain receptor (KDR), Endoglin (ENG), and retinol-binding protein 4 (RBP4), by immunoassay, serum, algorithm reported as a risk score PEPredictDx, OncoOmicsDx Laboratory, mProbe
0407U	Nephrology (diabetic chronic kidney disease [CKD]), multiplex electrochemiluminescent immunoassay (ECLIA) of soluble tumor necrosis factor receptor 1 (sTNFR1), soluble tumor necrosis receptor 2 (sTNFR2), and kidney injury molecule 1 (KIM-1) combined with clinical data, plasma, algorithm reported as risk for progressive decline in kidney function IntelxDKD™, Renalytix Inc, Renalytix Inc, NYC, NY
0412U	Beta amyloid, Aβ42/40 ratio, immunoprecipitation with quantitation by liquid chromatography with tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS) and qualitative ApoE isoform-specific proteotyping, plasma combined with age, algorithm reported as presence or absence of brain amyloid pathology PrecivityAD® blood test, C2N Diagnostics LLC, C2N Diagnostics LLC
0494T	Surgical preparation and cannulation of marginal (extended) cadaver donor lung(s) to ex vivo organ perfusion system, including decannulation, separation from the perfusion system, and cold preservation of the allograft prior to implantation, when performed
0495T	Initiation and monitoring marginal (extended) cadaver donor lung(s) organ perfusion system by physician or qualified health care professional, including physiological and laboratory assessment (for example, pulmonary artery flow, pulmonary artery pressure, left atrial pressure, pulmonary vascular resistance, mean/peak and plateau airway pressure, dynamic compliance and perfusate gas analysis), including bronchoscopy and X ray when performed; first two hours in sterile field
64505	Injection, anesthetic agent; sphenopalatine ganglion [when specified as a therapeutic nerve block]

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Not all PA requirements are listed here. Detailed PA requirements are available to providers at <https://www.bluecrossnc.com/providers/blue-medicare-providers/healthy-blue-medicare> on the *Resources* tab or for contracted providers by accessing [Availity.com](https://www.availity.com). Providers may also call Provider Services at **833-540-2106** for assistance with PA requirements.