

New genetic counseling benefit

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Louisiana

Effective Oct. 18, 2021, Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) **is adding** genetic counseling as a covered benefit for Healthy Louisiana (Medicaid) members. We'll update the **UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Louisiana Care Provider Manual** and our **payment policies** when the benefit is added.

- Genetic counseling will be covered before and after genetic testing
- Counseling the enrollee and family about diagnosis, prognosis and treatment includes documenting the member's:
 - Structured family genetic history
 - Genetic risk assessment

Reimbursement

Genetic counselors will be reimbursed using a specific genetic counseling procedure code. Reimbursement for this service is:

- Incident to the supervising physician services
- Limited to 90 minutes on a single day

We'll reimburse all other health care professionals using the applicable evaluation and management (E&M) code.

Questions?

Please call us at **866-875-1607**.