



**UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of New Jersey
Genetic and Molecular Testing Prior Authorization/Notification Updates**

Authorization Requirement – Effective June 1, 2021

Beginning June 1, 2021, UnitedHealthcare will require prior authorization/notification for additional codes as part of the online prior authorization/notification program for genetic and molecular testing performed in an outpatient setting.

New CPT codes included in the program:

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0097U Gastrointestinal pathogen, multiplex reverse transcription and multiplex amplified probe technique, multiple types or subtypes, 22 targets (*Campylobacter* [*C. jejuni*/*C. coli*/*C. upsaliensis*], *Clostridium difficile* [*C. difficile*] toxin A/B, *Plesiomonas shigelloides*, *Salmonella*, *Vibrio* [*V. parahaemolyticus*/*V. vulnificus*/*V. cholerae*], including specific identification of *Vibrio cholerae*, *Yersinia enterocolitica*, Enteropathogenic *Escherichia coli* [EPEC], Enterotoxigenic *Escherichia coli* [ETEC] lt/st, Shiga-like toxin-producing *Escherichia coli* [STEC] stx1/stx2 [including specific identification of the *E. coli* O157 serogroup within STEC], *Shigella*/Enteroinvasive *Escherichia coli* [EIEC], *Cryptosporidium*, *Cyclospora cayentanensis*, *Entamoeba histolytica*, *Giardia lamblia* [also known as *G. intestinalis* and *G. duodenalis*], adenovirus F 40/41, astrovirus, norovirus GI/GII, rotavirus A, sapovirus [Genogroups I, II, IV, and V])