

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Louisiana Medical Policy Update Bulletin: February 2024

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Medical Policy Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Breast Imaging for Screening and Diagnosing Cancer (for Louisiana Only)	Updated	Mar. 1, 2024
Computer-Assisted Surgical Navigation for Musculoskeletal Procedures (for Louisiana Only)	Updated	Mar. 1, 2024
Electric Tumor Treatment Field Therapy (for Louisiana Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Genetic Testing for Hereditary Cancer (for Louisiana Only)	Updated	Apr. 1, 2024
Hepatitis Screening (for Louisiana Only)	Updated	Feb. 1, 2024
Hospital Services: Observation and Inpatient (for Louisiana Only)	Updated	Mar. 1, 2024
Minimally Invasive Procedures for Gastric and Esophageal Diseases (for Louisiana Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Mobility Devices, Options, and Accessories (for Louisiana Only)	New	Mar. 1, 2024
Plagiocephaly and Craniosynostosis Treatment (for Louisiana Only)	Updated	Mar. 1, 2024
Rhinoplasty and Other Nasal Procedures (for Louisiana Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Surgical Treatment of Lymphedema (for Louisiana Only)	Updated	Feb. 1, 2024
Thermography (for Louisiana Only)	Retired	Feb. 1, 2024

Medical Benefit Drug Policy Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Luxturna® (Voretigene Neparvovec-Rzyl) (for Louisiana Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Medical Therapies for Enzyme Deficiencies (for Louisiana Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Ophthalmologic Complement Inhibitors (for Louisiana Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Rebyota™ (Fecal Microbiota, Live-Jslm) (for Louisiana Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Somatostatin Analogs (for Louisiana Only)	Updated	Mar. 1, 2024
Tepezza® (Teprotumumab-Trbw) (for Louisiana Only)	Revised	Mar. 1, 2024
Veopoz™ (Pozelimab-Bbfg) (for Louisiana Only)	New	Mar. 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 Louisiana 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 Louisiana is available at UHCprovider.com/LA > Medicaid (Community Plan) > Current Policies and Clinical Guidelines > [UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Louisiana Medical & Drug Policies](#).