

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Pennsylvania Medical Policy Update Bulletin: May 2022

Access a policy listed below for complete details on the latest updates. A comprehensive summary of changes is provided at the bottom of every policy document for your reference. To view a detailed version of this bulletin, click [here](#).

Take Note

InterQual® 2022 Clinical Criteria: Apr. 2022 Release

Effective May 1, 2022, all applicable Medical Policies, Coverage Determination Guidelines, and Utilization Review Guidelines have been updated to reflect the InterQual® clinical criteria reference(s) associated with the Apr. 2022 Release. For the list of impacted policies and corresponding details, click [here](#).

Medical Policy Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Ablative Treatment for Spinal Pain (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2022
Abnormal Uterine Bleeding and Uterine Fibroids (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2022
Computed Tomographic Colonography (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	May 1, 2022
Discogenic Pain Treatment (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2022
Functional Endoscopic Sinus Surgery (FESS) (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2022
Glaucoma Surgical Treatments (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	Jun. 1, 2022
Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	May 1, 2022
Manipulation Under Anesthesia (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jul. 1, 2022
Occipital Nerve Injections and Ablation (Including Occipital Neuralgia and Headache) (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	Jun. 1, 2022
Omnibus Codes (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2022
Surgical and Ablative Procedures for Venous Insufficiency and Varicose Veins (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2022
Surgical Treatment for Spine Pain (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2022
Transcatheter Heart Valve Procedures (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	May 1, 2022

Medical Benefit Drug Policy Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Alpha ₁ -Proteinase Inhibitors	New	May 1, 2022
Enjaymo™ (Sutimlimab-Jome)	New	Jun. 1, 2022
Immune Globulin (IVIG and SCIG) (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2022
Rituximab (Riabni™, Rituxan®, Ruxience®, & Truxima®)	Updated	Jun. 1, 2022
Vyvgart™ (Efgartigimod Alfa-Fcab)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2022

Utilization Review Guideline Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Chemotherapy Observation or Inpatient Hospitalization (for Pennsylvania Only)	Updated	May 1, 2022
Provider Administered Drugs – Site of Care (for Pennsylvania Only)	Revised	Jun. 1, 2022

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 Pennsylvania Medical Policy, Medical Benefit Drug Policy, Coverage Determination Guideline, and Utilization Review Guideline 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 UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Pennsylvania Medical Policies, Medical Benefit Drug Policies, Coverage Determination Guidelines, and Utilization Review Guidelines is available at UHCprovider.com/Pennsylvania > [Medicaid \(Community Plan\)](#) > [Current Policies and Clinical Guidelines](#) > [UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Pennsylvania Medical & Drug Policies and Coverage Determination Guidelines](#).