

August 2019 UnitedHealthcare Network Bulletin Articles & The Empire Plan

The following articles are included in the August 2019 issue of UnitedHealthcare’s *Network Bulletin*. The table below denotes which articles apply to The Empire Plan and/or our Empire Plan Network providers. To access *Network Bulletin*, sign on to UHCprovider.com and select “News and Network Bulletin” in the “Resource Library” section (or select News and Network Bulletin in Quick Links at the bottom of the home page). Be sure to read the applicable articles and direct any questions you may have regarding Empire Plan impact to your Empire Plan network representative.

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Network Bulletin: Article Topic	Applies to The Empire Plan?
Front & Center	
Avoid Clearinghouse EDI Claims Submissions Fees	Yes
Use Our Online Tools to Submit Medical Prior Authorization	Yes (for Notifications)
New Controlled Substance e-Prescription Requirements for OptumRx	No
Medical Policy Updates	See Specific Policy
UnitedHealthcare Medical Policy Update Bulletin: August 2019	See Specific Policy
MEDICAL POLICY	
Ablative Treatment for Spinal Pain	Yes
Bariatric Surgery	Yes
Cardiac Event Monitoring	Yes
Computer-Assisted Surgical Navigation for Musculoskeletal Procedures	Yes
Electrical and Ultrasound Bone Growth Stimulators	Yes
Gender Dysphoria Treatment	Yes
Genetic Testing for Hereditary Cancer	No
Light and Laser Therapy	Yes
Omnibus Codes	Yes
Pharmacogenetic Testing	Yes
Sublingual Liquid Immunotherapy	Yes
Whole Exome and Whole Genome Sequencing	No
MEDICAL BENEFIT DRUG POLICY	
Complement Inhibitors (Soliris® & Ultomiris™)	Yes
Immune Globulin (IVIG and SCIG)	Yes
Ocrevus™ (Ocrelizumab)	Yes
Oncology Medication Clinical Coverage	Yes
Onpattro™ (Patisiran)	Yes
Review at Launch Medication List	Yes
Self-Administered Medications	No
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White Blood Cell Colony Stimulating Factors	Yes
Xolair® (Omalizumab)	Yes
Zulresso™ (Brexanolone)	Yes
COVERAGE DETERMINATION GUIDELINE (CDG)	
Durable Medical Equipment, Orthotics, Ostomy Supplies, Medical Supplies and Repairs/Replacements	Yes
Oxford Policy Update Bulletin: August 2019	No
UnitedHealthcare West Benefit Interpretation Policy Update Bulletin: August 2019	No
UnitedHealthcare West Medical Management Guideline Update Bulletin: August 2019	No
Community Plan Medical Policy Update Bulletin: August 2019	No
Medicare Advantage Coverage Summary Update Bulletin: August 2019	No
Medicare Advantage Policy Guideline Update Bulletin: August 2019	No
Updates to Requirements for Specialty Medical Injectable Drugs for UnitedHealthcare Commercial, UnitedHealthcare Community Plan and UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Members	No
Pharmacy Update: Notice of Changes to Prior Authorization Requirements and Coverage Criteria for UnitedHealthcare Commercial and UnitedHealthcare Oxford Commercial Plans	No
Changes in Advance Notification and Prior Authorization Requirements	No
UnitedHealthcare Commercial	
UnitedHealth Premium Program Version 12 Evaluation Details Now Available	No

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Site of Service Reviews for Certain Musculoskeletal Surgical Procedures (Arthroscopic and Foot Surgery) — Revised Effective Date: Nov. 1, 2019	No
UnitedHealthcare Reimbursement Policies	
<i>UnitedHealthcare Commercial Reimbursement Policy Updates</i>	<i>See Specific Policy</i>
Procedure to Modifier Policy, Professional	Yes
New Molecular Pathology Policy, Professional	Yes
UnitedHealthcare Community Plan ~This section does not apply to The Empire Plan~	
UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage ~This section does not apply to The Empire Plan~	
UnitedHealthcare Affiliates ~This section does not apply to The Empire Plan~	
State News	
Changes in Advance Notification and Prior Authorization Requirements	No