

# UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Policy Guideline Update Bulletin: January 2024

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Immune Globulin	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>Applicable Codes</b></p> <p><b>HCPCS Codes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Revised description for Q2052</li> </ul> <p><b>ICD-10 Diagnosis Codes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removed notation indicating only HCPCS code J1559 may be reported for ICD-10 diagnosis code G61.81</li> </ul> <p><b>Questions &amp; Answers (Q&amp;A)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added Q&amp;A #2 pertaining to HCPCS code Q2052 to indicate IVIG (in-home coverage) will become a permanent benefit of Medicare starting Jan. 1, 2024; suppliers should continue supplying IVIG as usual</li> </ul> <p><b>Supporting Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated <i>References</i> section to reflect the most current information</li> </ul>
Pharmacogenomics Testing	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>Related Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removed reference link to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Pharmacogenetic Panel Testing</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Applicable Codes</b></p> <p><b>Provisional Coverage</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added CPT codes 0380U, 0411U, and 0419U</li> </ul> <p><b>Supporting Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated <i>References</i> section to reflect the most current information</li> </ul>
Vitamin D Testing	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>Applicable Codes</b></p> <p><b>ICD-10 Diagnosis Codes</b></p> <p>For CPT Code 82306</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added notation to indicate D13.9 and E20.8 were “deleted Sep. 30, 2023”</li> <li>Added E20.810, E20.811, E20.812, E20.818, E20.819, E20.89, K90.821, K90.822, K90.829, K90.83, M80.0B1A, M80.0B1D, M80.0B1G, M80.0B1K, M80.0B1P, M80.0B1S, M80.0B2A, M80.0B2D, M80.0B2G, M80.0B2K, M80.0B2P, M80.0B2S, M80.0B9A, M80.0B9D, M80.0B9G, M80.0B9K, M80.0B9P, M80.0B9S, M80.8B1A, M80.8B1D, M80.8B1G, M80.8B1K, M80.8B1P, M80.8B1S, M80.8B2A, M80.8B2D, M80.8B2G, M80.8B2K, M80.8B2P, M80.8B2S, M80.8B9A, M80.8B9D, M80.8B9G, M80.8B9K, M80.8B9P, and M80.8B9S</li> </ul> <p>For CPT Code 82652</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added notation to indicate E20.8 was “deleted Sep. 30, 2023”</li> <li>Added E20.810, E20.811, E20.812, E20.818, E20.819, E20.89, K90.821, K90.822, K90.829, K90.83, M80.0B1A, M80.0B1D, M80.0B1G, M80.0B1K, M80.0B1P, M80.0B1S, M80.0B2A, M80.0B2D, M80.0B2G, M80.0B2K, M80.0B2P,</li> </ul>

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Category III CPT Codes	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>Policy Summary</b></p> <p><b>Guidelines</b></p> <p>Coverage Guidelines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Added language to indicate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Computed Tomography Cerebral Perfusion Analysis (CTP) (CPT Code 0042T)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a National Coverage Determination (NCD) and Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)/Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) exist</li> </ul> </li> <li><i>Computer-Assisted Musculoskeletal Surgical Navigational Orthopedic Procedure (CPT Codes 0054T and 0055T)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Computer-Assisted Surgical Navigation for Musculoskeletal Procedures</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> </li> <li><i>Focused Ultrasound Ablation of Uterine Leiomyomata (CPT Codes 0071T and 0072T)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Abnormal Uterine Bleeding and Uterine Fibroids</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> </li> <li><i>Transcatheter Placement of Extracranial Vertebral Artery Stent(s) (CPT Codes 0075T and 0076T)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs exist</li> </ul> </li> <li><i>Cervical Artificial Disc Replacement (CPT Code 0098T)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs exist</li> </ul> </li> <li><i>Retinal Prosthesis (CPT Code 0100T)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare has determined that the Argus® II device, which is the device that is implanted for the retinal prosthesis implant procedure, is no longer available in the marketplace</li> <li>○ Medicare also understands that both outpatient hospital providers and ASCs (ambulatory surgical centers) are no longer performing the Argus® II implantation procedure</li> <li>○ Refer to the Jul. 2022 CMS Transmittals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <a href="#">11472 [Update of the Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) Payment System]</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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Category III CPT Codes (continued)	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b><i>Transcatheter Mitral Valve Repair (CPT Code 0345T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare covers transcatheter edge-to-edge repair (TEER) for mitral valve regurgitation under Coverage with Evidence Development (CED); refer to the NCD for <i>Transcatheter Edge-to-Edge Repair (TEER) for Mitral Valve Regurgitation (NCD 20.33)</i></li> </ul> <p><b><i>Radiostereometric Analysis (RSA) (CPT Codes 0347T, 0348T, 0349T, and 0350T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Optical Coherence Tomography of Breast (CPT Codes 0351T, 0352T, 0353T, and 0354T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Omnibus Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Bioelectrical Impedance Analysis Whole Body Composition Assessment (CPT Code 0358T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Omnibus Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>High Dose Rate Electronic Brachytherapy (CPT Codes 0394T and 0395T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs exist</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) with Optical Endomicroscopy (CPT Code 0397T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Omnibus Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Magnetic Resonance Image Guided High Intensity Focused Ultrasound (MRgFUS) (CPT Code 0398T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs exist for all states/territories</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Cardiac Contractility Modulation (CPT Codes 0408T, 0409T, 0410T, 0411T, 0412T, 0413T, 0414T, 0415T, 0416T, 0417T, and 0418T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Omnibus Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Destruction of Neurofibroma (CPT Codes 0419T and 0420T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Transurethral Waterjet Ablation of Prostate (CPT Code 0421T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs exist for all states/territories</li> </ul>



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Category III CPT Codes (continued)	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b><i>Retinal Prosthetic Device Evaluation and Programming (CPT Codes 0472T and 0473T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Omnibus Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>White Blood Cell Concentrate Injection (CPT Code 0481T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD</li> <li>○ LCDs/LCAs exist and compliance with these policies is required where applicable; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policies titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines, for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Transcatheter Mitral Valve Implantation/Replacement (TMVI) with Prosthetic Valve (CPT Codes 0483T and 0484T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Transcatheter Heart Valve Procedures</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT) of Middle Ear (CPT Codes 0485T and 0486T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Omnibus Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Surgical Preparation of Cadaver Donor Lung(s) (CPT Codes 0494T and 0495T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Endovenous Femoral-Popliteal Arterial Revascularization (CPT Codes 0505T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Heterochromatic Flicker Photometry (CPT Code 0506T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Omnibus Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Near-Infrared Dual Imaging of Meibomian Glands (CPT Code 0507T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Omnibus Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Electroretinography (ERG) (CPT Code 0509T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs exist</li> </ul>

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Category III CPT Codes (continued)	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b><i>Drug-Eluting Implant Procedures in Eye (CPT Codes 0660T and 0661T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Scalp Cooling (CPT Codes 0662T and 0663T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs exist</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Donor Hysterectomy (CPT Codes 0664T, 0665T, 0666T, and 0667T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Donor hysterectomy services have a Status Indicator of 'N' (Non-Covered) on the <a href="#">National Physician Fee Schedule</a>; these services are not covered by Medicare</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Uterus Transplantation (CPT Codes 0668T, 0669T, and 0670T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Omnibus Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Cryogen-Cooled Monopolar Radiofrequency (CMRF) (CPT Code 0672T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Omnibus Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Benign Thyroid Nodule Ablation (CPT Code 0673T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Diaphragmatic Stimulation System (CPT Codes 0674T, 0675T, 0677T, 0679T, 0680T, 0681T, 0682T, 0683T, 0684T, and 0685T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Malignant Hepatocellular Histotripsy (CPT Code 0686T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Remote, Online and/or Digital Therapy for Amblyopia (CPT Codes 0687T, 0688T, 0704T, 0705T, and 0706T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Visual Information Processing Evaluation and Orthoptic and Vision Therapy</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Quantitative Ultrasound Tissue Characterization (CPT Code 0689T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul>

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Category III CPT Codes (continued)	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b><i>Risk-Based Assessment for Cardiac Dysfunction (CPT Code 0765T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Transcutaneous Magnetic Stimulation (tMS) (CPT Codes 0766T, 0767T, 0768T, and 0769T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Omnibus Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Virtual Reality Technology Services (CPT Codes 0771T and 0773T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Sacroiliac Joint Arthrodesis (CPT Codes 0775T and 0809T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Sacroiliac Joint Interventions</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Intra-Brain Hypothermia Induction (CPT Code 0776T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Surface Mechanomyography (sMMG) (CPT Code 0778T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Neurophysiologic Testing and Monitoring</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Gastrointestinal Myoelectrical Activity Study (CPT Code 0779T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Gastrointestinal Motility Disorders, Diagnosis and Treatment</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Bronchoscopy with Radiofrequency Destruction of the Pulmonary Nerves (CPT Codes 0781T and 0782T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Category III Codes</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Transcutaneous Auricular Neurostimulation (tAN) (CPT Code 0783T)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare does not have a NCD and LCDs/LCAs do not exist; refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled <i>Electrical Stimulation for the Treatment of Pain and Muscle Rehabilitation</i> for coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs</li> </ul>

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Molecular Diagnostic Infectious Disease Testing	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>Policy Summary</b></p> <p><b>Guidelines</b></p> <p>Molecular Infectious Disease Panels for Infectious Disease Pathogen Identification Testing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated list of examples of molecular infectious disease panels addressed by Medicare; added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Arthropod Infection Panels</li> <li>Joint Infection Panels</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Applicable Codes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added CPT codes 0369U, 0370U, 0371U, 0372U, 0373U, 0374U, 0402U, and 0416U</li> </ul> <p><b>Coding Clarification</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated notation pertaining to the list of non-covered diagnosis codes; added language indicating Z11.3 and Z04.81 are excluded from non-coverage for CPT codes 0352U, 0402U, 81513, 81514, and 87999</li> </ul> <p><b>Supporting Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated <i>References</i> section to reflect the most current information</li> </ul>
Molecular Pathology/ Genetic Testing Reported with Unlisted Codes	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>Policy Summary</b></p> <p><b>Covered Indications</b></p> <p>For CPT Code 81479</p> <p><i>Molecular Assays for the Diagnosis of Cutaneous Melanoma</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added language to indicate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The purpose of this test is to assist dermatopathologists to arrive at the correct diagnosis of melanoma versus non-melanoma when examining skin biopsies</li> <li>There is limited coverage for molecular Deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA)/Ribonucleic acid (RNA) assays that aid in the diagnosis or exclusion of melanoma from a biopsy when <b>all</b> of the following clinical conditions are met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The test is ordered by a board-certified or board-eligible dermatopathologist</li> <li>The specimen is a primary (non-metastatic, non-re-excision specimen) cutaneous melanocytic neoplasm for which the diagnosis is equivocal/uncertain (i.e., clear distinction between benign or malignant cannot be achieved using clinical and/or histopathological features alone) despite the performance of standard-of-care test procedures and relevant ancillary tests (i.e., immunohistochemical stains)</li> <li>The specimen includes an area representative of the lesion or portion of the lesion that is suspicious for malignancy</li> <li>The patient may be subjected to additional intervention, such as re-excision and/or sentinel lymph node biopsy, as a result of the diagnostic uncertainty</li> <li>The patient has not been tested with the same or similar assay for the same clinical lesion</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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Molecular Pathology/ Genetic Testing Reported with Unlisted Codes (continued)	Dec. 13, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The test is validated for use in the intended-use population and is performed according to its stated intended-use</li> <li>▪ The test demonstrates Analytical and Clinical Validity (AV and CV) and Clinical Utility (CU) and undergoes a technical assessment (TA) to demonstrate compliance of the service with this policy</li> <li>○ Tests that demonstrate similar indicated uses and equivalent or superior performance to covered tests may similarly be covered</li> </ul> <p><b>Applicable Codes</b></p> <p><b><i>Molecular Pathology/Genetic Testing Reported with Unlisted Codes: Diagnosis Codes</i></b></p> <p><b>For CPT Code 81479 (InVisionFirst, Liquid Biopsy for Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removed C34.00, C34.10, C43.30, and C34.80</li> </ul> <p><b>For CPT Code 81479 (HERmark® Assay)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removed list of applicable codes: C50.011, C50.012, C50.021, C50.022, C50.111, C50.112, C50.121, C50.122, C50.211, C50.212, C50.221, C50.222, C50.311, C50.312, C50.321, C50.322, C50.411, C50.412, C50.421, C50.422, C50.511, C50.512, C50.521, C50.522, C50.611, C50.612, C50.621, C50.622, C50.811, C50.812, C50.821, C50.822, C50.911, C50.912, C50.921, C50.922, and C79.81</li> </ul> <p><b>For CPT Code 81479 (Androgen Receptor Variant AR-V7 Protein Test)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removed C78.00 and C78.30</li> </ul> <p><b>For CPT Code 81479 (Molecular Assays for the Diagnosis of Cutaneous Melanoma)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Added list of applicable codes: D22.0, D22.10, D22.111, D22.112, D22.121, D22.122, D22.20, D22.21, D22.22, D22.39, D22.4, D22.5, D22.61, D22.62, D22.71, D22.72, D22.9, and D48.5</li> </ul> <p><b>For CPT Code 84999 (Avise PG Assay)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removed list of applicable codes: M05.011, M05.012, M05.021, M05.022, M05.031, M05.032, M05.041, M05.042, M05.051, M05.052, M05.061, M05.062, M05.071, M05.072, M05.09, M05.111, M05.112, M05.121, M05.122, M05.131, M05.132, M05.141, M05.142, M05.151, M05.152, M05.161, M05.162, M05.171, M05.172, M05.19, M05.211, M05.212, M05.221, M05.222, M05.231, M05.232, M05.241, M05.242, M05.251, M05.252, M05.261, M05.262, M05.271, M05.272, M05.29, M05.311, M05.312, M05.321, M05.322, M05.331, M05.332, M05.341, M05.342, M05.351, M05.352, M05.361, M05.362, M05.371, M05.372, M05.39, M05.411, M05.412, M05.421, M05.422, M05.431, M05.432, M05.441, M05.442, M05.451, M05.452, M05.461, M05.462, M05.471, M05.472, M05.49, M05.511, M05.512, M05.521, M05.522, M05.531, M05.532, M05.541, M05.542, M05.551, M05.552, M05.561, M05.562, M05.571, M05.572, M05.59, M05.611, M05.612, M05.621, M05.622, M05.631, M05.632, M05.641, M05.642, M05.651, M05.652, M05.661, M05.662, M05.671, M05.672, M05.69, M05.711, M05.712, M05.721, M05.722, M05.731, M05.732, M05.741, M05.742, M05.751, M05.752, M05.761, M05.762, M05.771, M05.772, M05.79, M05.7A, M05.811, M05.812, M05.821, M05.822, M05.831,</li> </ul>

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Molecular Pathology/ Molecular Diagnostics/ Genetic Testing	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>Related Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removed reference link to the UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Policy titled: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Human Tumor Stem Cell Drug Sensitivity Assays (NCD 190.7)</i></li> <li><i>Molecular Pathology Procedures for Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) Typing</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Policy Summary</b></p> <p><b>Overview</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Revised language to indicate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A molecular diagnostic test (MDT) is any test that involves the detection or identification of nucleic acid(s) deoxyribonucleic acid/ribonucleic acid (DNA/RNA), proteins, chromosomes, enzymes, cancer chemotherapy sensitivity, and/or other metabolite(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The test may or may not include multiple components</li> <li>A MDT may consist of a single mutation analysis/identification, and/or may or may not rely upon an algorithm or other form of data evaluation/derivation</li> </ul> </li> <li>A laboratory developed test (LDT) is any test developed by a laboratory developed without Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval or clearance</li> </ul> </li> <li>Removed content/language addressing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gene expression assays for breast cancer treatment</li> <li>Molecular assays for prostate cancer</li> <li>Gene identification</li> <li>Bladder tumor markers</li> <li>Transplant recipients</li> <li>Assays for rheumatoid arthritis</li> <li>Melanoma</li> <li>Thyroid</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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Molecular Pathology/ Molecular Diagnostics/ Genetic Testing (continued)	Dec. 13, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Genetic testing for myeloproliferative disease</li> </ul> <p><b>Applicable Tests/Assays</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Added language to indicate:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ In addition to the MDT definition, this policy applies to all tests that meet at least one of the following descriptions:                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Non-FDA approved/cleared laboratory developed tests (LDT)</li> <li>▪ Modified FDA-approved/cleared kits/tests/assays</li> <li>▪ Tests/assays billed with more than one code from a HIPAA compliant code set to identify the service, including combinations of method-based, serology-based, and anatomic pathology codes</li> <li>▪ Medicare expects laboratory providers to follow test indications published by the developer</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Guidelines</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Added language to indicate molecular pathology procedures have broad clinical and research applications; the following examples of applications may not be relevant to a Medicare member or may not meet a Medicare benefit category and/or reasonable and necessary threshold for coverage; such examples include genetic testing and genetic counseling (when applicable) for:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Disease risk</li> <li>▪ Carrier screening</li> <li>▪ Hereditary cancer syndromes</li> <li>▪ Gene expression profiling for certain cancers</li> <li>▪ Prenatal diagnostic testing</li> <li>▪ Diagnosis and monitoring non-cancer indications</li> <li>▪ Several pharmacogenomic applications</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Replaced language indicating:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “Based on the Centers for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS) <i>Program Integrity Manual (100-08)</i>, this policy addresses the circumstances under which the item or service is reasonable and necessary <i>under the Social Security Act, §1862(a)(1)(A)</i>” with “based on the Centers for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS), this policy addresses the circumstances under which the item or service is reasonable and necessary”</li> <li>○ “For laboratory services, a service <i>can</i> be reasonable and necessary if the service is safe and effective” with “for laboratory services, a service <i>may</i> be reasonable and necessary if the service is safe and effective”</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Removed language indicating screening services, such as pre-symptomatic genetic tests and services, are those used to detect an undiagnosed disease or disease predisposition, and as such are not a Medicare benefit and not covered by Medicare               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare may not reimburse the costs of tests/examinations that assess the risk for and/or of a condition unless the risk assessment clearly and directly effects the management of the patient</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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Molecular Pathology/ Molecular Diagnostics/ Genetic Testing (continued)	Dec. 13, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Medicare does cover a broad range of legislatively mandated preventive services to prevent disease, detect disease early when it is most treatable and curable, and manage disease so that complications can be avoided</li> <li>○ These services can be found on the CMS website at <a href="http://www.cms.gov/PreventionGenInfo/">http://www.cms.gov/PreventionGenInfo/</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Documentation Guidelines</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Removed language indicating providers are required to code to specificity however, if an unlisted CPT code is used, the documentation must clearly identify the unique procedure performed</li> <li>○ When multiple procedure codes are submitted on a claim (unique and/or unlisted) the documentation supporting each code should be easily identifiable</li> <li>○ If on review UnitedHealthcare cannot link a billed code to the documentation, these services will be denied</li> </ul> <p><b>Nationally Non-Covered Indications</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Added language (relocated from the <i>Guidelines</i> section) to indicate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Compliance with the provisions in this policy is subject to monitoring by post payment data analysis and subsequent medical review</li> <li>○ <i>Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)</i> states " ...no Medicare payment shall be made for items or services which are not reasonable and necessary for the diagnosis and treatment of illness or injury..."</li> <li>○ It has been longstanding CMS policy that "tests that are performed in the absence of signs, symptoms, complaints, or personal history of disease or injury are not covered unless explicitly authorized by statute"</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Applicable Codes</b></p> <p><b>CPT Codes</b></p> <p>Non-Covered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Removed 81493</li> <li>● Revised description for 81171, 81172, 81243, and 81244</li> </ul> <p>Provisional Coverage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Added notation to indicate 0053U was "deleted Jun. 30, 2023"</li> <li>● Added 0359U, 0364U, 0378U, 0379U, 0386U, 0388U, 0389U, 0391U, 0395U, 0396U, 0397U, 0398U, 0400U, 0403U, 0405U, 0409U, 0410U, 0413U, and 0417U</li> <li>● Removed 0105U, 0168U, 0208U, and 81441</li> <li>● Revised description for 0269U, 0271U, 0272U, 0274U, 0277U, 0278U, 0356U, 0362U, 81445, 81449, 81450, 81451, 81455, and 81456</li> </ul> <p><b>Diagnosis Codes</b></p> <p>For CPT Code 0090U</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Added notation to indicate D22.30, D22.60, D22.70, and D49.2 were "deleted Aug. 13, 2023"</li> </ul>

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Molecular Pathology/ Molecular Diagnostics/ Genetic Testing (continued)	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>For CPT Codes 81272 and 81314</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added D48.110, D48.111, D48.112, D48.113, D48.114, D48.115, D48.116, D48.117, D48.118, D48.119, D48.19</li> </ul> <p><b>For CPT Code 81554</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removed D86.0, J60, J67.0, J67.1, J67.2, J67.3, J67.4, J67.5, J67.6, J67.7, J67.8, J67.9, J84.09, J84.114, J84.115, J84.117, J84.170, J84.178, J84.2, and J84.89</li> </ul> <p><b>Supporting Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated <i>References</i> section to reflect the most current information</li> </ul>
Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Scan	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>Policy Summary</b></p> <p><b>Guidelines</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added language to indicate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective Oct. 13, 2023, Centers for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS) removed National Coverage Determination (NCD) 220.6.20, ending coverage with evidence development (CED) for positron emission tomography (PET) beta amyloid imaging and permitting Medicare coverage determinations for PET beta amyloid imaging to be made by the Medicare Administrative Contractors</li> </ul> </li> <li>Removed language indicating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicare covers fluorodeoxyglucose (FDG)-PET for pre-surgical evaluation for the purpose of localization of a focus of refractory seizure activity</li> <li>Medicare covers FDG Positron Emission Tomography (PET) scans for either the differential diagnosis of fronto-temporal dementia (FTD) and Alzheimer’s disease (AD) under specific requirements; or its use in a CMS-approved practical clinical trial focused on the utility of FDG PET in the diagnosis or treatment of dementing neurodegenerative diseases</li> <li>CMS continues to nationally cover one FDG PET study for beneficiaries who have cancers that are biopsy proven or strongly suspected based on other diagnostic testing when the beneficiary’s treating physician determines that the FDG PET study is needed to determine the location and/or extent of the tumor for the following therapeutic purposes related to the initial anti-tumor treatment strategy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To determine whether or not the beneficiary is an appropriate candidate for an invasive diagnostic or therapeutic procedure; or</li> <li>To determine the optimal anatomic location for an invasive procedure; or</li> <li>To determine the anatomic extent of tumor when the recommended anti-tumor treatment reasonably depends on the extent of the tumor</li> </ul> </li> <li>There is sufficient evidence that the use of PET AB imaging is promising in two scenarios:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Scan (continued)	Dec. 13, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To exclude Alzheimer’s disease (AD) in narrowly defined and clinically difficult differential diagnoses, such as AD versus frontotemporal dementia (FTD); and</li> <li>▪ To enrich clinical trials seeking better treatments or prevention strategies for AD, by allowing for selection of patients on the basis of biological as well as clinical and epidemiological factors</li> <li>▪ Therefore, CMS will cover one PET Aβ scan per patient through coverage with evidence development (CED), under <i>§1862(a)(1)(E) of the Act</i>, in clinical studies that meet the criteria listed in NCD for <i>Beta Amyloid Positron Tomography in Dementia and Neurodegenerative Disease (220.6.20)</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Applicable Codes</b></p> <p><b>HCPCS Codes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removed notation indicating A9586, Q9982, and Q9983 are “covered only in a clinical trial”</li> </ul> <p><b>Modifier Codes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removed Q0</li> </ul> <p><b>Diagnosis Codes</b></p> <p>Myocardial Imaging</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Added notation to indicate I22.9, I25.2, I25.3, I25.41, I25.42, I25.83, and I47.20 were “deleted Sep. 30, 2023”</li> </ul> <p><b>Supporting Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Updated <i>References</i> section to reflect the most current information</li> </ul>
Posturography	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>Policy Summary</b></p> <p><b>Guidelines</b></p> <p>American Academy of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery (AAO-HNS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replaced language indicating “<i>in a 2014 position statement</i>, AAO-HNS recognizes that the [listed] tests or <i>treatments</i> are medically indicated and appropriate in the evaluation or treatment of persons with suspected balance or dizziness disorders” with “AAO-HNS recognizes that the [listed] tests or <i>evaluation tools</i> are medically indicated and appropriate in the evaluation or treatment of <i>certain</i> persons with suspected balance or dizziness disorders”</li> <li>• Added language to indicate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Diagnostic audiologic testing (including hearing and balance assessment services) is covered when performed by a physician or a qualified audiologist</li> <li>○ An individual with a master's or doctoral degree in audiology and is licensed as such by the relevant State is considered to be a qualified audiologist</li> <li>○ In addition to required licensure, audiologists are encouraged to obtain a Certificate of Clinical Competence from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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Posturography (continued)	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>Supporting Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated <i>References</i> section to reflect the most current information</li> </ul>
Xgeva®, Prolia® (Denosumab)	Dec. 13, 2023	<p><b>Policy Summary</b></p> <p><b>Guidelines</b></p> <p>Indications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Replaced language indicating “Xgeva® for <i>all patients</i> is allowed when the patient is taking calcium and vitamin D supplements as necessary to treat or prevent hypocalcemia” with “Xgeva® for <i>treatment of all FDA approved indications</i> is allowed when the patient is taking calcium and vitamin D supplements as necessary to treat or prevent hypocalcemia”</li> </ul> <p><b>Supporting Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated <i>References</i> section to reflect the most current information</li> </ul>

## General Information

This bulletin provides a list of new, updated, revised, replaced, and/or retired UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Policy Guidelines to reflect the most current clinical coverage rules and guidelines developed by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). The inclusion of a health service (e.g., test, drug, device, or procedure) in this bulletin indicates only that UnitedHealthcare has recently adopted 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. In the event of an inconsistency or conflict between the information provided in this bulletin and the posted policy, the provisions of the posted policy will prevail. 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.

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### Policy Update Classifications

#### *New*

New coverage guidelines 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 coverage guidelines; however, items such as the definitions or references may have been updated

#### *Revised*

An existing policy has been reviewed and revisions have been made to the coverage guidelines

#### *Replaced*

An existing policy has been replaced with a new or different policy

#### *Retired*

An existing policy has been retired



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