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Aetna Better Health® of Illinois

New policy updates: Clinical, payment and coding policy changes

At Aetna Better Health[®] of Illinois, we regularly augment our clinical, payment and coding policy positions as part of our ongoing policy review processes. Please see upcoming new policies as shown below, effective for dates of service beginning 10/1/2024.

Drugs and Biologicals Policies

Aetna Better Health of Illinois supports FDA-label, off-label compendia (Micromedex, Clinical Pharmacology, National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Lexi-Drugs, American Hospital Formulary Service Drug Information[®]), AMA/CPT, state Medicaid guidelines and other sources for Drugs and Biologicals. These supported policies include:

- Indication (FDA-label and off-label approved compendia indications)
- **Dosage** (based on indication and supported by FDA-label and off-label approved compendia)
- **Frequency** (based on indication and supported by FDA-label and off-label approved compendia)
- **Route of administration** (based on category of drug, FDA-label, off-label approved compendia, and AMA/CPT guidelines)
- Age restrictions
- **Combination therapy with other required drugs/substances** (based on FDA-label and approved off-label compendia guidelines by indication)

New Drug/Biological Policies

Infliximab (J1745, Q5103, Q5104, Q5121)

New policies for Infliximab are as follows:

Dosage

- Daily limits added when the diagnosis on the claim is plaque psoriasis (pediatric), pustular psoriasis or regional enteritis (pediatric)
- Limits over time added when the diagnosis on the claim is plaque psoriasis (pediatric) or regional enteritis (pediatric)

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- Daily limits added when the diagnosis on the claim is ulcerative colitis (adult)
- Limits over time added when the diagnosis on the claim is ulcerative colitis (adult)

Visits

• Limit number of visits over time allowed when the diagnosis on the claim is ulcerative colitis (adult)

Questions?

Please contact your assigned **Provider Relations representative** with any questions.