## **Aetna Better Health® of Kansas**

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## Clinical Payment, Coding and Policy Changes

We regularly augment our clinical, payment and coding policy positions as part of our ongoing policy review processes. To keep our providers informed, please see the below communication of upcoming new policies.

Effective for dates of service beginning June 13, 2022:

## **Orthopedic Policy**

<u>Injections involving tendons, ligaments and ganglion cysts</u>- Injections into tendon sheaths, ligaments, tendon origins or insertions, or ganglion cysts may be indicated to relieve pain or dysfunction resulting from inflammation or other pathological changes. These injections require that an appropriate diagnosis is reported (e.g., bursitis, carpal tunnel syndrome).

<u>Percutaneous Fusion of the Sacroiliac Joint</u>- Percutaneous fusion of the sacroiliac (SI) joint is considered appropriate when at least one therapeutic intra-articular SI joint injection and when x-rays of the pelvis, x-ray of SI joint and CT scans have been performed in the past year.

If you have general questions about this communication, please contact our Provider Experience Department:

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