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AETNA BETTER HEALTH® OF PENNSYLVANIA

Prior Authorization Coding Changes

Dear Provider:

Effective July 1, 2020, Aetna Better Health of Pennsylvania and Aetna Better Health Kids will change the way the certain HCPCS and/or CPT codes will be processed. On the pages that follow are two list of codes for which prior authorizations will be affected by this change.

The first table of codes are codes that will no longer require prior authorization.

The second table of codes will require prior authorization and will be reviewed for medical necessity.

Questions?

We're here to help. Just contact our Provider Relations department at **1-866-638-1232**.

Thank you for the quality care you provide our Aetna Better Health members.

Sincerely,

Provider Relations
Aetna Better Health of Pennsylvania

Table 1: Codes No Longer Requiring Authorization

CODE	CODE DESCRIPTION
0095T	Removal of total disc arthroplasty (artificial disc), anterior approach, each additional interspace, cervical (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
0164T	Removal of total disc arthroplasty, (artificial disc), anterior approach, each additional interspace, lumbar (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
0315T	Vagus nerve blocking therapy (morbid obesity); removal of pulse generator
0412T	Removal of permanent cardiac contractility modulation system; pulse generator only
0413T	Removal of permanent cardiac contractility modulation system; transvenous electrode (atrial or ventricular)
0428T	Removal of neurostimulator system for treatment of central sleep apnea; pulse generator only
0429T	Removal of neurostimulator system for treatment of central sleep apnea; sensing lead only
0430T	Removal of neurostimulator system for treatment of central sleep apnea; stimulation lead only
0447T	Removal of implantable interstitial glucose sensor from subcutaneous pocket via incision
0468T	Removal of chest wall respiratory sensor electrode or electrode array
0510T	Removal of sinus tarsi implant
0518T	Removal of only pulse generator component(s) (battery and/or transmitter) of wireless cardiac stimulator for left ventricular pacing
0530T	Removal of intracardiac ischemia monitoring system, including all imaging supervision and interpretation; complete system (electrode and implantable monitor)
0531T	Removal of intracardiac ischemia monitoring system, including all imaging supervision and interpretation; electrode only
0532T	Removal of intracardiac ischemia monitoring system, including all imaging supervision and interpretation; implantable monitor only
15730	Midface flap (ie, zygomaticofacial flap) with preservation of vascular pedicle(s)
15733	Muscle, myocutaneous, or fasciocutaneous flap; head and neck with named vascular pedicle (ie, buccinators, genioglossus, temporalis, masseter, sternocleidomastoid, levator scapulae)
19294	Preparation of tumor cavity, with placement of a radiation therapy applicator for intraoperative radiation therapy (IORT) concurrent with partial mastectomy (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
19328	Removal of intact mammary implant
19330	Removal of mammary implant material
19361	Breast reconstruction with latissimus dorsi flap, without prosthetic implant
19364	Breast reconstruction with free flap
19366	Breast reconstruction with other technique
27465	Osteoplasty, femur; shortening (excluding 64876)
27466	Osteoplasty, femur; lengthening
27468	Osteoplasty, femur; combined, lengthening and shortening with femoral segment transfer

32994	Ablation therapy for reduction or eradication of 1 or more pulmonary tumor(s) including pleura or chest wall when involved by tumor extension, percutaneous, including imaging guidance when performed, unilateral; cryoablation
33275	Transcatheter removal of permanent leadless pacemaker, right ventricular, including imaging guidance (eg, fluoroscopy, venous ultrasound, ventriculography, femoral venography), when performed
47380	Ablation, open, of 1 or more liver tumor(s); radiofrequency
47381	Ablation, open, of 1 or more liver tumor(s); cryosurgical
47382	Ablation, 1 or more liver tumor(s), percutaneous, radiofrequency
47383	Ablation, 1 or more liver tumor(s), percutaneous, cryoablation
50370	Removal of transplanted renal allograft
62355	Removal of previously implanted intrathecal or epidural catheter
81171	AFF2 (AF4/FMR2 family, member 2 [FMR2]) (eg, fragile X mental retardation 2 [FRAXE]) gene analysis; evaluation to detect abnormal (eg, expanded) alleles
81172	AFF2 (AF4/FMR2 family, member 2 [FMR2]) (eg, fragile X mental retardation 2 [FRAXE]) gene analysis; characterization of alleles (eg, expanded size and methylation status)
93644	Electrophysiologic evaluation of subcutaneous implantable defibrillator (includes defibrillation threshold evaluation, induction of arrhythmia, evaluation of sensing for arrhythmia termination, and programming or reprogramming of sensing or therapeutic parameters)
95991	Refilling and maintenance of implantable pump or reservoir for drug delivery, spinal (intrathecal, epidural) or brain (intraventricular), includes electronic analysis of pump, when performed, requiring skill of a physician or other qualified health care professional
96127	Brief emotional/behavioral assessment (eg, depression inventory, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder [ADHD] scale), with scoring and documentation, per standardized instrument
A4641	Radiopharmaceutical, diagnostic, not otherwise classified
C1778	Lead, neurostimulator (implantable)
C1883	Ocular implant, aqueous drainage assist device
C1891	Infusion pump, nonprogrammable, permanent (implantable)
C1897	Lead, neurostimulator test kit (implantable)
C2624	Implantable wireless pulmonary artery pressure sensor with delivery catheter, including all system components
G0293	Noncovered surgical procedure(s) using conscious sedation, regional, general, or spinal anesthesia in a Medicare qualifying clinical trial, per day
G0294	Noncovered procedure(s) using either no anesthesia or local anesthesia only, in a Medicare qualifying clinical trial, per day
G2000	Blinded administration of convulsive therapy procedure, either electroconvulsive therapy (ECT, current covered gold standard) or magnetic seizure therapy (MST, noncovered experimental therapy), performed in an approved IDE-based clinical trial, per treatment session

G9187	Bundled payments for care improvement initiative home visit for patient assessment performed by a qualified health care professional for individuals not considered homebound including, but not limited to, assessment of safety, falls, clinical status, fluid status, medication reconciliation/management, patient compliance with orders/plan of care, performance of activities of daily living, appropriateness of care setting; (for use only in the Medicare-approved bundled payments for care improvement initiative); may not be billed for a 30-day period covered by a transitional care management code
H0046	Mental health services, not otherwise specified
L7499	Upper extremity prosthesis, not otherwise specified
L8600	Implantable breast prosthesis, silicone or equal
L8625	External recharging system for battery for use with cochlear implant or auditory osseointegrated device, replacement only, each
L8689	External recharging system for battery (internal) for use with implantable neurostimulator, replacement only
S2900	Surgical techniques requiring use of robotic surgical system (list separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
S8189	Tracheostomy supply, not otherwise classified
S9810	Home therapy; professional pharmacy services for provision of infusion, specialty drug administration, and/or disease state management, not otherwise classified, per hour (do not use this code with any per diem code)

Table 2: Codes Now Requiring Authorization and Medical Necessity Review

CODE	CODE DESCRIPTION
0508T	Pulse-echo ultrasound bone density measurement resulting in indicator of axial bone mineral density, tibia
31661	Bronchoscopy, rigid or flexible, including fluoroscopic guidance, when performed; with bronchial thermoplasty, 2 or more lobes
93355	Echocardiography, transesophageal (TEE) for guidance of a transcatheter intracardiac or great vessel(s) structural intervention(s) (eg, TAVR, transcatheter pulmonary valve replacement, mitral valve repair, paravalvular regurgitation repair, left atrial appendage occlusion/closure, ventricular septal defect closure) (peri-and intra-procedural), real-time image acquisition and documentation, guidance with quantitative measurements, probe manipulation, interpretation, and report, including diagnostic transesophageal echocardiography and, when performed, administration of ultrasound contrast, Doppler, color flow, and 3D
H2030	Mental health clubhouse services, per 15 minutes
L5782	Addition to lower limb prosthesis, vacuum pump, residual limb volume management and moisture evacuation system, heavy-duty
L6629	Upper extremity addition, quick disconnect lamination collar with coupling piece, Otto Bock or equal
L6632	Upper extremity addition, latex suspension sleeve, each
L6680	Upper extremity addition, test socket, wrist disarticulation or below elbow
L6687	Upper extremity addition, frame type socket, below elbow or wrist disarticulation
L6881	Automatic grasp feature, addition to upper limb electric prosthetic terminal device

L6882	Microprocessor control feature, addition to upper limb prosthetic terminal device
L6890	Addition to upper extremity prosthesis, glove for terminal device, any material, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L7007	Electric hand, switch or myoelectric controlled, adult
L7008	Electric hand, switch or myoelectric, controlled, pediatric
L7009	Electric hook, switch or myoelectric controlled, adult
L7040	Prehensile actuator, switch controlled
L7045	Electric hook, switch or myoelectric controlled, pediatric
L7185	Electronic elbow, adolescent, Variety Village or equal, switch controlled
L7186	Electronic elbow, child, Variety Village or equal, switch controlled
L7259	Electronic wrist rotator, any type
L7400	Addition to upper extremity prosthesis, below elbow/wrist disarticulation, ultra-light material (titanium, carbon fiber or equal)
L7401	Addition to upper extremity prosthesis, above elbow disarticulation, ultra-light material (titanium, carbon fiber or equal)
L7402	Addition to upper extremity prosthesis, shoulder disarticulation/interscapular thoracic, ultra-light material (titanium, carbon fiber or equal)
L7403	Addition to upper extremity prosthesis, below elbow/wrist disarticulation, acrylic material
L7404	Addition to upper extremity prosthesis, above elbow disarticulation, acrylic material
L7405	Addition to upper extremity prosthesis, shoulder disarticulation/interscapular thoracic, acrylic material
L8604	Injectable bulking agent, dextranomer/hyaluronic acid copolymer implant, urinary tract, 1 ml, includes shipping and necessary supplies
L8607	Injectable bulking agent for vocal cord medialization, 0.1 ml, includes shipping and necessary supplies
L8631	Metacarpal phalangeal joint replacement, two or more pieces, metal (e.g., stainless steel or cobalt chrome), ceramic-like material (e.g., pyrocarbon), for surgical implantation (all sizes, includes entire system)
P9604	Travel allowance, one way in connection with medically necessary laboratory specimen collection drawn from homebound or nursing homebound patient; prorated trip charge
T2013	Habilitation, educational, waiver; per hour