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Lab Management Clinical Guideline Updates for Fully Insured Commercial and Medicare Advantage Subscribers – eviCore Healthcare Specialty Utilization Management (UM) Program

eviCore has released updates for Lab Management Clinical Guidelines. The following new Proprietary Laboratory Analyses CPT® Codes have been added by the American Medical Association (AMA) and will require prior authorization (PA) **effective May 1, 2020.**

Code	Description
0169U	NUDT15 (nudix hydrolase 15) and TPMT (thiopurine S-methyltransferase) (eg, drug metabolism) gene analysis, common variants
0170U	Neurology (autism spectrum disorder [ASD]), RNA, next-generation sequencing, saliva, algorithmic analysis, and results reported as predictive probability of ASD diagnosis
0171U	Targeted genomic sequence analysis panel, acute myeloid leukemia, myelodysplastic syndrome, and myeloproliferative neoplasms, DNA analysis, 23 genes, interrogation for sequence variants, rearrangements and minimal residual disease, reported as presence/absence

Products Impacted

This change only applies to **fully insured commercial** and **Medicare Advantage** subscribers.

Prior authorization requests will be reviewed based on eviCore clinical guideline criteria. Providers can view the list of CPT codes that require prior authorization, eviCore clinical guidelines, and other provider resources on the eviCore Implementation Resources website.

To view CPT Code lists:
- Access the 'Provider Section' of the Blue Cross website at **providers.bluecrossmn.com**
- Select "**Medical Policy**" under *Tools and Resources*, read and accept the Blue Cross Medical Policy Statement
- Under "Medical and Behavioral Health Policies" scroll down and click on the "**eviCore healthcare Specialty Utilization Management Clinical Guidelines**" link
- Select "**Solution Resources**" and then click on the appropriate solution (ex: Laboratory Management)
- Select "**CPT Codes**" to view the current CPT code list that require a prior authorization

To view Clinical Guidelines:
- Access the 'Provider Section' of the Blue Cross website at **providers.bluecrossmn.com**
- Select "**Medical Policy**" under *Tools and Resources*, read and accept the Blue Cross Medical Policy Statement
- Under "Medical and Behavioral Health Policies" scroll down and click on the "**eviCore healthcare Specialty Utilization Management Clinical Guidelines**" link

- Click on the "**Resources**" dropdown in upper right corner
- Click "**Clinical Guidelines**"
- Select the appropriate solution: i.e. Laboratory Management
- Type "**BCBS MN**" (space is important) in 'Search by Health Plan'
- Click on the "Current", "Future", or "Archived" tab to view guidelines most appropriate to your inquiry

To submit a Prior Authorization (PA) Request to eviCore

Providers submit eviCore PA requests via our free **Availity** provider portal. Instructions on how to utilize this portal are found on the Availity website.

Providers need to reference the eviCore clinical guideline criteria, submit prior authorization requests via Availity, and submit all applicable clinical documentation with the PA request. Failure to submit required information may result in review delays or denial of the request due to insufficient information.

Note: An approved PA does not guarantee coverage under a subscriber's benefit plan. Subscriber benefit plans vary in coverage and some plans may not provide coverage for certain services discussed in the medical policies.

Questions?
If you have questions, please contact eviCore provider service at **844-224-0494**.