

Experimental and Investigational Clinical Coverage Criteria

Overview

The services listed in this policy are considered experimental/investigational (non-covered) because they do not meet Fallon Health's Technology Assessment Criteria.

Fallon Health Plan's Technology Assessment Committee (TAC) evaluates new technology and new uses for existing technology for inclusion in Fallon Health's benefit plan. (TAC) is made up of Fallon Health Medical Directors and adjunct staff members. The written technology evaluation is based upon a review of clinical information including clinical outcome studies published in the peer-reviewed medical literature, regulatory status of the drug or device, evidence-based guidelines of government bodies, and evidence-based guidelines and positions of select national health professional organizations, including but not limited to Hayes, Inc. and National Payer policies and guidelines. As needed, (TAC) seeks input from relevant specialists and professionals who have expertise in the technology being evaluated. When a technology is recommended for inclusion in the benefit plan, (TAC) may develop clinical coverage criteria and a supporting medical policy. Clinical Coverage criteria are developed with input from practicing physicians in the service area.

Definitions

Investigational: Relating to or being a drug or medical procedure that may or may not be FDA approved for general use but is under investigation in clinical trials regarding its safety and efficacy or the clinical evidence supporting effectiveness is insufficient.

Experimental: An unproven therapy which may or may not be better than current medical standards.

Policy

Fallon Health excludes coverage of experimental/investigational procedures due to their lack of reliable or detailed clinical evidence of superior clinical outcomes. Fallon Health evaluates many different types of clinical evidence in determining if a procedure or treatment has a greater safety or efficacy than conventional treatments. This is inclusive but not limited to published technological assessments, randomized control studies, published peer literature, and expert opinions. Fallon Health will evaluate available, peer-reviewed scientific literature in relation to an overall clinical outcome and it's acceptance of use in a clinical setting. Prior authorization is required for the use of any service or procedure as outlined in this policy. These requests must be supported by the treating provider(s) medical records.

Exclusions

 All services outlined in this policy are excluded from coverage unless approved by a Fallon Health Medical Director as outlined above.

Codes

Some procedures or treatments do not have a CPT/HCPCS Codes, please refer to the descriptions for information regarding the procedure. These codes will be routinely reviewed and updated as the technology and scientific literature evolves. Fallon Health also may maintain a separate policy for a specific procedure or services that defines it as experimental/investigational.

Code type	Code	Description
CPT	0005U	Oncology (prostate) gene expression profile by real-time RT-PCR of 3 genes (ERG, PCA3, and SPDEF), urine, algorithm reported as risk score
	0042T	Cerebral perfusion analysis using computed tomography with contrast administration, including post-processing of parametric maps with determination of cerebral blood flow, cerebral blood volume, and mean transit time
	0071T	Focused ultrasound ablation of uterine leiomyomata, including MRI guidance; total leiomyomata volume less than 200 cc of tissue
	0072T	Focused ultrasound ablation of uterine leiomyomata, including MRI guidance; total leiomyomata volume greater or equal to 200 cc of tissue
	0075T	Transcatheter placement of extracranial vertebral artery stent(s), including radiologic supervision and interpretation, open or percutaneous; initial vessel
	0076T	Transcatheter placement of extracranial vertebral artery stent(s), including radiologic supervision and interpretation, open or percutaneous; each additional vessel (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
	0085T	Breath Test for Heart Transplant rejection
	0095T	Removal of total disc arthroplasty (artificial disc), anterior approach, each additional interspace, cervical (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
	0098T	Revision including replacement of total disc arthroplasty (artificial disc), anterior approach, each additional interspace, cervical (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
	0100T	Placement of a subconjunctival retinal prosthesis receiver and pulse generator, and implantation of intra-ocular retinal electrode array, with vitrectomy
	0101T	Extracorporeal shock wave involving musculoskeletal system, not otherwise specified, high energy
	0102T	Extracorporeal shock wave, high energy, performed by a physician, requiring anesthesia other than local, involving lateral humeral epicondyle
	0106T	Quantitative sensory testing (QST), testing and interpretation per extremity; using touch pressure stimuli to assess large diameter sensation
	0107T	Quantitative sensory testing (QST), testing and interpretation per extremity; using vibration stimuli to assess large diameter fiber sensation

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0108T	Quantitative sensory testing (QST), testing and interpretation per
	extremity; using cooling stimuli to assess small nerve fiber
	sensation and hyperalgesia
0109T	Quantitative sensory testing (QST), testing and interpretation per
	extremity; using heat-pain stimuli to assess small nerve fiber
	sensation and hyperalgesia
0110T	Quantitative sensory testing (QST), testing and interpretation per
	extremity; using other stimuli to assess sensation
0111T	Long-chain (C20-22) omega-3 fatty acids in red blood cell (RBC)
	membranes
0126T	Common carotid intima-media thickness (IMT) study for
	evaluation of atherosclerotic burden or coronary heart disease
	risk factor assessment
0163T	Total disc arthroplasty (artificial disc), anterior approach, including
	discectomy to prepare interspace (other than for decompression),
	lumbar, each additional interspace
0164T	Removal of total disc arthroplasty, (artificial disc), anterior
	approach, each additional interspace, lumbar
0165T	Revision including replacement of total disc arthroplasty (artificial
	disc), anterior approach, each additional interspace, lumbar
0174T	Computer-aided detection (CAD) (computer algorithm analysis of
017-11	digital image data for lesion detection) with further physician
	review for interpretation and report, with or without digitization of
	film radiographic images, chest radiograph(s), performed
	concurrent with primary interpretation
0175T	Computer-aided detection (CAD) (computer algorithm analysis of
01731	digital image data for lesion detection) with further physician
	review for interpretation and report, with or without digitization of
	film radiographic images, chest radiograph(s), performed remote
	from primary interpretation
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01961	Measurement of ocular blood flow by repetitive intraocular
0000T	pressure sampling, with interpretation and report
0200T	Percutaneous sacral augmentation (sacroplasty), unilateral
	injection(s), including the use of a balloon or mechanical device,
	when used, 1 or more needles, includes imaging guidance and
0004	bone biopsy, when performed
0201T	Percutaneous sacral augmentation (sacroplasty), bilateral
	injections, including the use of a balloon or mechanical device,
	when used, 2 or more needles, includes imaging guidance and
2005	bone biopsy, when performed
0202T	Posterior vertebral joint(s) arthroplasty (e.g., facet joint[s]
	replacement) including facetectomy, laminectomy, foraminotomy
	and vertebral column fixation, with or without injection of bone
	cement, including fluoroscopy, single level, lumbar spine
0232T	Injection(s), platelet rich plasma, any site, including image
	guidance, harvesting and preparation when performed
0249T	Ligation, hemorrhoidal vascular bundle(s), including ultrasound
	guidance
0254T	Endovascular repair of iliac artery bifurcation (e.g., aneurysm,

	pseudoaneurysm, arteriovenous malformation, trauma) using bifurcated endoprosthesis from the common iliac artery into both
 OOCOT	the external and internal iliac artery, unilateral;
0263T	Intramuscular autologous bone marrow cell therapy, with
	preparation of harvested cells, multiple injections, one leg,
	including ultrasound guidance, if performed; complete procedure
2004	including unilateral or bilateral bone marrow harvest
0264T	Intramuscular autologous bone marrow cell therapy, with
	preparation of harvested cells, multiple injections, one leg,
	including ultrasound guidance, if performed; complete procedure
	excluding bone marrow harvest
0265T	Intramuscular autologous bone marrow cell therapy, with
	preparation of harvested cells, multiple injections, one leg,
	including ultrasound guidance, if performed; unilateral or bilateral
	bone marrow harvest only for intramuscular autologous bone
	marrow cell therapy
0266T	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation
	device; total system (includes generator placement, unilateral or
	bilateral lead placement, intra-operative interrogation,
	programming, and repositioning, when performed)
0267T	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation
	device; lead only, unilateral (includes intra-operative interrogation,
	programming, and repositioning, when performed)
0268T	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation
	device; pulse generator only (includes intra-operative
	interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)
0269T	Revision or removal of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device;
02001	total system (includes generator placement, unilateral or bilateral
	lead placement, intra-operative interrogation, programming, and
	repositioning, when performed)
0270T	Revision or removal of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device;
02701	lead only, unilateral (includes intra-operative interrogation,
	programming, and repositioning, when performed)
0271T	Revision or removal of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device;
02/11	pulse generator only (includes intra-operative interrogation,
0272T	programming, and repositioning, when performed) Interrogation device evaluation (in person), carotid sinus
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	baroreflex activation system, including telemetric iterative
	communication with the implantable device to monitor device
	diagnostics and programmed therapy values, with interpretation
	and report (eg, battery status, lead impedance, pulse amplitude,
	pulse width, therapy frequency, pathway mode, burst mode,
00707	therapy start/stop times each day);
0273T	Interrogation device evaluation (in person), carotid sinus
	baroreflex activation system, including telemetric iterative
	communication with the implantable device to monitor device
	diagnostics and programmed therapy values, with interpretation
	and report (eg, battery status, lead impedance, pulse amplitude,
	pulse width, therapy frequency, pathway mode, burst mode,

		therapy start/stop times each day); with programming
	0274T	Percutaneous laminotomy/laminectomy (intralaminar approach)
	027	for decompression of neural elements, (with or without
		ligamentous resection, discectomy, facetectomy and/or
		foraminotomy) any method under indirect image guidance (e.g.,
		fluoroscopic, CT), with or without the use of an endoscope, single
		or multiple levels, unilateral or bilateral; cervical or thoracic
	0275T	Percutaneous laminotomy/laminectomy (intralaminar approach)
	02/31	for decompression of neural elements, (with or without
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		ligamentous resection, discectomy, facetectomy and/or
		foraminotomy) any method under indirect image guidance (e.g.,
		fluoroscopic, CT), with or without the use of an endoscope, single
		or multiple levels, unilateral or bilateral; cervical or thoracic,
	00707	lumbar
	0278T	Transcutaneous electrical modulation pain reprocessing (e.g.,
		scrambler therapy), each treatment session (includes placement
	2222	of electrodes)
	0290T	Corneal incisions in the recipient cornea created using a laser, in
		preparation for penetrating or lamellar keratoplasty (List
		separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
	0312T	Vagus nerve blocking therapy (morbid obesity); laparoscopic
		implantation of neurostimulator electrode array, anterior and
		posterior vagal trunks adjacent to esophagogastric junction
		(EGJ), with implantation of pulse generator, includes
		programming
	0313T	Vagus nerve blocking therapy (morbid obesity); laparoscopic
		revision or replacement of vagal trunk neurostimulator electrode
		array, including connection to existing pulse generator
	0314T	Vagus nerve blocking therapy (morbid obesity); laparoscopic
		removal of vagal trunk neurostimulator electrode array and pulse
		generator
	0315T	Vagus nerve blocking therapy (morbid obesity); removal of pulse
		generator
	0316T	Vagus nerve blocking therapy (morbid obesity); replacement of
		pulse generator
	0317T	Vagus nerve blocking therapy (morbid obesity); neurostimulator
		pulse generator electronic analysis, includes reprogramming
		when performed
	0329T	Monitoring of intraocular pressure for 24 hours or longer,
		unilateral or bilateral, with interpretation and report
	0330T	Tear film imaging, unilateral or bilateral, with interpretation and
		report
	0331T	Myocardial sympathetic innervation imaging, planar qualitative
		and quantitative assessment
	0332T	Myocardial sympathetic innervation imaging, planar qualitative
		and quantitative assessment, with tomographic SPECT
	0333T	Visual evoked potential screening of visual acuity, automated,
		with report
	0394T	High dose rate electronic brachytherapy, skin surface application,
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	per fraction, includes basic dosimetry, when performed
0395T	High dose rate electronic brachytherapy, interstitial or
00001	intracavitary treatment, per fraction, includes basic dosimetry,
	when performed
19105	Ablation, cryosurgical, of fibroadenoma, including ultrasound
19103	guidance, each fibroadenoma
19499	Unlisted Breast Procedure (Please note all unlisted codes require
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	prior authorization and the specific use of this code may be
	experimental/investigational and as such excluded from
00505	coverage)
22505	Manipulation of spine requiring anesthesia, any region
22526	Percutaneous intradiscal electrothermal annuloplasty, unilateral
	or bilateral including fluoroscopic guidance; single level
22527	Percutaneous intradiscal electrothermal annuloplasty, unilateral
	or bilateral including fluoroscopic guidance; 1 or more additional
	levels (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
22857	Total disc arthroplasty (artificial disc), anterior approach, including
	discectomy to prepare interspace (other than decompression);
	single interspace, lumbar
22861	Revision including replacement of total disc arthroplasty (artificial
	disc), anterior approach, single interspace; cervical
22862	Revision of total disc arthroplasty, anterior approach; single
	interspace, lumbar
22864	Removal of total disc arthroplasty (artificial disc), anterior
	approach, single interspace; cervical
22865	Removal of disc arthroplasty, anterior approach; single
	interspace, lumbar
28890	Extracorporeal shock wave, high energy, performed by a
	physician or other qualified health care professional, requiring
	anesthesia other than local, including ultrasound guidance,
	involving the plantar fascia
29868	Arthroscopy, knee, surgical; meniscal transplantation (includes
	arthrotomy for meniscal insertion), medial or lateral
30999	Unlisted nose procedure (Please note all unlisted codes require
	prior authorization and the specific use of this code may be
	experimental/investigational and as such excluded from
	coverage)
33927	Implantation of a total replacement heart system (artificial heart)
5552.	with recipient cardiectomy
33928	Removal and replacement of total replacement heart system
00020	(artificial heart)
33929	Removal of a total replacement heart system (artificial heart) for
33323	heart transplantation (List separately in addition to code for
	primary procedure)
33999	Unlisted Cardiac Procedure (Please note all unlisted codes
33333	require prior authorization and the specific use of this code may
	be experimental/investigational and as such excluded from
	coverage)
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43206	Esophagoscopy, rigid or flexible, with optical endomicroscopy

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	43210	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with
		esophagogastric fundoplasty, partial or complete, includes
		duodenoscopy when performed
	43252	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with optical
		endomicroscopy
	43257	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with delivery of
		thermal energy to the muscle of lower esophageal sphincter
		and/or gastric cardia, for treatment of gastroesophageal reflux
		disease
	43647	Laparoscopy, surgical; implantation or replacement of gastric
		neurostimulator electrodes, antrum
	43648	Laparoscopy, surgical; revision or removal of gastric
		neurostimulator electrodes, antrum
	43881	Implantation or replacement of gastric neurostimulator electrodes,
		antrum, open
	43999	Unlisted procedure of the stomach (Please note all unlisted codes
		require prior authorization and the specific use of this code may
		be experimental/investigational and as such excluded from
		coverage)
	53899	Unlisted procedure, urinary system (Please note all unlisted
		codes require prior authorization and the specific use of this code
		may be experimental/investigational and as such excluded from
		coverage)
	58674	Laparoscopy, surgical, ablation of uterine fibroid(s) including
		intraoperative ultrasound guidance and monitoring,
		radiofrequency
	58999	Unlisted procedure, female genital system (nonobstetrical)
		(Please note all unlisted codes require prior authorization and the
		specific use of this code may be experimental/investigational and
		as such excluded from coverage)
	61630	Balloon angioplasty, intracranial (e.g., atherosclerotic stenosis),
	0.000	percutaneous
	61635	Transcatheter placement of intravascular stent(s), intracranial
		(e.g., atherosclerotic stenosis), including balloon angioplasty, if
		performed
	61640	Balloon dilatation of intracranial vasospasm, percutaneous; initial
	3.3.3	vessel
	61641	Balloon dilatation of intracranial vasospasm, percutaneous; each
		additional vessel in same vascular family
	61642	Balloon dilatation of intracranial vasospasm, percutaneous; each
	0.0.2	additional vessel in different vascular family
	62287	Decompression procedure, percutaneous, of nucleus pulposus of
	5_23.	intervertebral disc, any method utilizing needle based technique
		to remove disc material under fluoroscopic imaging or other form
		of indirect visualization, with the use of an endoscope, with
		discography and/or epidural injection(s) at the treated level(s),
		when performed, single or multiple levels, lumbar
	64568	Incision for implantation of cranial nerve (e.g. vagus nerve)
	0 1000	neurostimulator electrode array and pulse generator
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67225	Destruction of localized lesion of choroid (e.g., choroidal neovascularization); photodynamic therapy, second eye, at single session (List separately in addition to code for primary eye treatment)
67299	Unlisted procedure, posterior segment (Please note all unlisted codes require prior authorization and the specific use of this code may be experimental/investigational and as such excluded from coverage)
75572	Computed tomography, heart, with contrast material, for evaluation of cardiac structure and morphology (including 3D image postprocessing, assessment of cardiac function, and evaluation of venous structures, if performed)
75573	Computed tomography, heart, with contrast material, for evaluation of cardiac structure and morphology in the setting of congenital heart disease (including 3D image postprocessing, assessment of LV cardiac function, RV structure and function and evaluation of venous structures, if performed)
75574	Computed tomographic angiography, heart, coronary arteries and bypass grafts (when present), with contrast material, including 3D image postprocessing (including evaluation of cardiac structure and morphology, assessment of cardiac function, and evaluation of venous structures, if performed)
76376	3D rendering with interpretation and reporting of computed tomography, magnetic resonance imaging, ultrasound, or other tomographic modality with image postprocessing under concurrent supervision; not requiring image postprocessing on an independent workstation
76377	3D rendering with interpretation and reporting of computed tomography, magnetic resonance imaging, ultrasound, or other tomographic modality with image postprocessing under concurrent supervision; requiring image postprocessing on an independent workstation
76499	Unlisted diagnostic radiograph procedure (Please note all unlisted codes require prior authorization and the specific use of this code may be experimental/investigational and as such excluded from coverage)
81235	EGFR (epidermal growth factor receptor) (e.g., non-small cell lung cancer) gene analysis, common variants (e.g., exon 19 LREA deletion, L858R, T790M, G719A, G719S, L861Q)
81252	GJB2 (gap junction protein, beta 2, 26kDa, connexin 26) (e.g., nonsyndromic hearing loss) gene analysis; full gene sequence
81253	GJB2 (gap junction protein, beta 2, 26kDa; connexin 26) (e.g., nonsyndromic hearing loss) gene analysis; known familial variants
81254	GJB6 (gap junction protein, beta 6, 30kDa, connexin 30) (e.g., nonsyndromic hearing loss) gene analysis, common variants (e.g., 309kb [del(GJB6-D13S1830)] and 232kb [del(GJB6-D13S1854)])
81287	MGMT (O-6-methylguanine-DNA methyltransferase) (e.g.,

		glioblastoma multiforme), methylation analysis
	81291	MTHFR (5,10-methylenetetrahydrofolate reductase) (e.g.,
	01291	hereditary hypercoagulability) gene analysis, common variants (e.g., 677T, 1298C)
	81355	VKORC1 (vitamin K epoxide reductase complex, subunit 1) (e.g.,
		warfarin metabolism), gene analysis, common variants (e.g., - 1639/3673)
	81599	Unlisted multianalyte assay with algorithmic analysis
	83631	Lactoferrin, fecal, quantitative
	83993	Calprotectin, fecal
	84999	Unlisted chemistry procedure (Please note all unlisted codes require prior authorization and the specific use of this code may be experimental/investigational and as such excluded from coverage)
	86152	Cell enumeration using immunologic selection and identification in fluid specimen (e.g., circulating tumor cells in blood)
	86153	Cell enumeration using immunologic selection and identification in fluid specimen (e.g., circulating tumor cells in blood); physician interpretation and report, when required
	86849	Unlisted Immunology procedure (Please note all unlisted codes require prior authorization and the specific use of this code may be experimental/investigational and as such excluded from coverage)
	86999	Unlisted transfusion medicine procedure (Please note all unlisted codes require prior authorization and the specific use of this code may be experimental/investigational and as such excluded from coverage)
	87505	Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); gastrointestinal pathogen (eg, Clostridium difficile, E. coli, Salmonella, Shigella, norovirus, Giardia), includes multiplex reverse transcription, when performed, and multiplex amplified probe technique, multiple types or subtypes, 3-5 targets
	87506	Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); gastrointestinal pathogen (eg, Clostridium difficile, E. coli, Salmonella, Shigella, norovirus, Giardia), includes multiplex reverse transcription, when performed, and multiplex amplified probe technique, multiple types or subtypes, 6-11 targets
	87507	Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); gastrointestinal pathogen (eg, Clostridium difficile, E. coli, Salmonella, Shigella, norovirus, Giardia), includes multiplex reverse transcription, when performed, and multiplex amplified probe technique, multiple types or subtypes, 12-25 targets
	88375	Optical endomicroscopic image(s), interpretation and report, real- time or referred, each endoscopic session
	89240	Unlisted miscellaneous pathology test (Please note all unlisted codes require prior authorization and the specific use of this code may be experimental/investigational and as such excluded from coverage)
	89329	Sperm evaluation; hampster penetration test
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91112	Gastrointestinal transit and pressure measurement, stomach
04000	through colon, wireless capsule, with interpretation and report
91299	Unlisted diagnostic gastroenterology procedure (Please note all
	unlisted codes require prior authorization and the specific use of
	this code may be experimental/investigational and as such
00400	excluded from coverage)
92132	Scanning computerized ophthalmic diagnostic imaging, anterior
20115	segment, with interpretation and report, unilateral or bilateral
92145	Corneal hysteresis determination, by air impulse stimulation,
	unilateral or bilateral, with interpretation and report
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)
93702	Bioimpedance spectroscopy (BIS), measuring 100 extracellular
	fluid
	analysis for lymphedema assessment.
93799	Unlisted cardiovascular service or procedure (Please note all
	unlisted codes require prior authorization and the specific use of
	this code may be experimental/investigational and as such
	excluded from coverage)
93895	Quantitative carotid intima media thickness and carotid atheroma
	evaluation, bilateral
94799	Unlisted pulmonary service or procedure (Please note all unlisted
	codes require prior authorization and the specific use of this code
	may be experimental/investigational and as such excluded from
	coverage)
95012	Nitric oxide expired gas determination
95965	Magnetoencephalography (MEG), recording and analysis; for
	spontaneous brain magnetic activity (e.g., epileptic cerebral
	cortex localization)
95966	Magnetoencephalography (MEG), recording and analysis; for
	evoked magnetic fields, single modality (e.g., sensory, motor,
	language, or visual cortex localization)
95967	Magnetoencephalography (MEG), recording and analysis; for
	evoked magnetic fields, each additional modality (e.g., sensory,
	motor, language, or visual cortex localization)
96000	Comprehensive computer-based motion analysis by video-taping
	and 3-D kinematics
96001	Comprehensive computer-based motion analysis by video-taping
	and 3-D kinematics; with dynamic plantar pressure
	measurements during walking
96002	Dynamic surface electromyography, during walking or other
	functional activities, 1-12 muscles
96003	Dynamic fine wire electromyography, during walking or other
	functional activities, 1 muscle
96004	Review and interpretation by physician or other qualified health
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		care professional of comprehensive computer-based motion analysis, dynamic plantar pressure measurements, dynamic surface electromyography during walking or other functional activities, and dynamic fine wire electromyography, with written report
	96904	Whole body integumentary photography, for monitoring of high risk patients with dysplastic nevus syndrome or a history of dysplastic nevi, or patients with a personal or familial history of melanoma
HCPCS	A9597	Positron emission tomography radiopharmaceutical, diagnostic, for tumor identification, not otherwise classified
	A9598	Positron emission tomography radiopharmaceutical, diagnostic, for non-tumor identification, not otherwise classified
	C1818	Integrated keratoprosthesis
	C1841	Retinal prosthesis, includes all internal and external components
	C1842	Retinal prosthesis, includes all internal and external components; add-on to C1841
	C9727	Insertion of implants into the soft palate; minimum of three implants
	C9733	Nonophthalmic fluorescent vascular angiography
	C9734	Focused ultrasound ablation/therapeutic intervention, other than uterine leiomyomata, with or without magnetic resonance (MR) guidance
	E0446	Topical oxygen delivery system, not otherwise specified, includes all supplies
	E0762	Transcutaneous electrical joint stimulation device system-PES
	E0764	Functional neuromuscular stimulator, transcutaneous stimulation of muscles of ambulation with computer control, used for walking by spinal cord injured, entire system, after completion of training program
	E0782	Infusion pumps, implantable, non-programmable, (includes all components; e.g. pump, catheter, connectors, etc.)
	E0783	Infusion pumps, implantable, programmable, (includes all components; e.g. pump, catheter, connectors, etc.)
	G0255	Current perception threshold/sensory nerve conduction test, (SNCT) per limb, any nerve
	G0276	Blinded procedure for lumbar stenosis, percutaneous image- guided lumbar decompression (PILD) or placebo-control, performed in an approved coverage with evidence development (CED) clinical trial
	G0282	Electrical stimulation, (unattended), to one or more areas, for wound care
	G0295	Electromagnetic therapy, to one or more areas, for wound care other than described in G0329 or for other uses
	L5973	Endoskeletal ankle foot system, microprocessor controlled feature, dorsiflexion and/or plantar flexion control, includes power source
	L6715	Terminal device, multiple articulating digit, includes motor(s), initial issue or replacement

	L6880	Electric hand, switch or myolelectric controlled, independently
		articulating digits, any grasp pattern or combination of grasp
		patterns, includes motor(s)
	L8605	Injectable bulking agent, dextranomer/hyaluronic acid copolymer
		implant, anal canal, 1 ml, includes shipping and necessary
		supplies
	L8658	Interphalangeal joint spacer, silicone or equal, each
	L8679	Implantable neurostimulator, pulse generator, any type
	L8682	Implantable neurostimulator radiofrequency receiver
	L8683	Radiofrequency transmitter (external) for use with implantable
		neurostimulator radiofrequency receiver
	L8685	Implantable neurostimulator pulse generator, single array,
		rechargeable, includes extension
	L8687	Implantable neurostimulator pulse generator, dual array,
		rechargeable, includes extension
	L8689	External recharging system for implanted neurostimulator,
		replacement only
	M0076	Prolotherapy
	M0300	IV chelation therapy (chemical endarterectomy)
	P2031	Hair analysis (excluding arsenic)
	P9020	Platelet rich plasma, each unit
	S0596	Phakic intraocular lens for correction of refractive error
	S1034	Artificial pancreas device system (eg, low glucose suspend [LGS]
		feature) including continuous glucose monitor, blood glucose
		device, insulin pump and computer algorithm that communicates
		with all of the devices
	S1035	Sensor; invasive (eg, subcutaneous), disposable, for use with
		artificial pancreas device system
	S1036	Transmitter; external, for use with artificial pancreas device
	04007	system
	S1037	Receiver (monitor); external, for use with artificial pancreas
	60000	device system
	S2080	Laser-assisted uvulopalatoplasty (LAUP)
	S2225	Myringotomy, laser-assisted
	S2300	Arthroscopy, shoulder, surgical; with thermally-induced capsulorrhaphy
	S2348	Decompression procedure, percutaneous, of nucleus pulposus of
	02070	intervertebral disc, using radiofrequency energy, single or multiple
		levels, lumbar
	S3650	Saliva test, hormone level; during menopause
	S3652	Saliva test, hormone level; to assess preterm labor risk
	S3800	Genetic testing for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS)
	S3852	DNA analysis for APOE epsilon 4 allele for susceptibility to
		Alzheimer's disease
	S8080	Scintimammography (radioimmunoscintigraphy of the breast),
		unilateral, including supply of radiopharmaceutical
	S8092	Electron beam computed tomography (also known as ultrafast
		CT, Cine CT)
	S9024	Paranasal sinus ultrasound
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	S9055	Procuren or other growth factor preparation to promote wound
		healing
	S9090	Vertebral axial decompression, per session
	V5095	Semi-implantable middle ear hearing prosthesis
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		Autologous Fat Grafting of the face
		ChemoFX Genetic Testing
		Endoscopic Fundiplication
		Embrace Wearable Biosensor
		Forsee Home Monitoring Device for Age Related Macular
		Degeneration
		Genicular nerve block injection
		Prolaris Test for Prediction of Prostate Cancer Progression
		VectraDA Genetic Test
		V-Go Disposable Insulin Pump

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Not all services mentioned in this policy are covered for all products or employer groups. Coverage is based upon the terms of a member's particular benefit plan which may contain its own specific provisions for coverage and exclusions regardless of medical necessity. Please consult the product's Evidence of Coverage for exclusions or other benefit limitations applicable to this service or supply. If there is any discrepancy between this policy and a member's benefit plan, the provisions of the benefit plan will govern. However, applicable state mandates take precedence with respect to fully-insured plans and self-funded non-ERISA (e.g., government, school boards, church) plans. Unless otherwise specifically excluded, federal mandates will apply to all plans. For Medicare and Medicaid members, this policy will apply unless Medicare and Medicaid policies extend coverage beyond this policy.