

Optum Care Medicare Advantage prior authorization requirements

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General information

This list contains prior authorization requirements for care providers who participate with UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage for inpatient and outpatient services. This includes UnitedHealthcare Dual Complete and other plans listed in the following “included plans” section. Health plans excluded from the requirements are listed in the “excluded plans” section on page two.

To request prior authorization, please submit your request online or by fax:

- **Online:**
Go to providers.optumcaremw.com.
- **Intake department fax #:**
1-844-206-5736 or 1-844-205-3551
- **Intake department phone (Only if online or fax is not an option):**
1-888-685-8491, TTY 711
- **Prior authorization department email:**
colorado.medmgt@optum.com

Prior authorization is not required for emergency or urgent care.

Note: If you are a network provider who is contracted directly with a delegated medical group/IPA, then you must follow the delegate’s protocols. Delegates may use their own systems and forms. They must meet the same regulatory and accreditation requirements as UnitedHealthcare.

Plans with referral requirements: If a member’s health plan ID card says “referral required,” certain services may require a referral from the member’s primary care provider and prior authorization obtained by the treating physician.

The following listed plans require prior authorization for in-network services:

Included plans

Subject to the UnitedHealthcare provider administrative guide and the UnitedHealthcare West Non-Capitated supplement

Medicare Advantage HMO, HMO-POS, PPO and Regional PPO plans, including AARP® Medicare Advantage®, UnitedHealthcare® The Villages® Medicare Advantage®, UnitedHealthcare® Medicare Advantage® plans for both individual and employer group members, UnitedHealthcare Medicare Gold and Silver plans and group retiree plans sold under UnitedHealthcare® Group Medicare Advantage (PPO)

UnitedHealthcare Dual Complete® (HMO D-SNP), (HMO-POS D-SNP), (PPO D-SNP), (Regional PPO D-SNP)

UnitedHealthcare® Chronic Complete (CSNP)

UnitedHealthcare® nursing home and UnitedHealthcare® assisted living plans (HMO I-SNP), (HMO-POS I-SNP), (PPO I-SNP)

UnitedHealthcare Dual Eligible Special Needs Plans (D-SNP) and Medicare Advantage benefit plans offered by UnitedHealthcare Community Plan subject to an additional manual, as further described in the benefit plan section of the 2021 UnitedHealthcare Care Provider Administrative Guide at UHCprovider.com/guides. As explained in the benefit plan section, some UnitedHealthcare Dual Eligible Special Needs Plans (D-SNP) and Medicare Advantage benefit plans offered by UnitedHealthcare Community Plan are not subject to an additional manual and are therefore subject to the administrative guide.

In some instances, we have delegated prior authorization services to a provider group. In these cases, the “For providers” section on the back of the member’s ID card will list the delegated group managing the prior authorization process. Delegated plans include:

Delegated plans

Colorado: The following groups are delegated to OptumCare: H0609-007 AARP® Medicare Advantage SecureHorizons Plan 1; H0609-012 AARP® Medicare Advantage SecureHorizons Plan 2; H0609-018 AARP® Medicare Advantage Patriot; H0609-034-001 AARP® Medicare Advantage SecureHorizons Plan 1; H0609-034-002 AARP® Medicare Advantage SecureHorizons Plan 1; H0609-036-001 AARP® Medicare Advantage SecureHorizons Plan 2; H0609-036-002 AARP® Medicare Advantage SecureHorizons Plan 2; H0609-041-000 AARP® Medicare Advantage Patriot; H0609-804/806 UnitedHealthcare Group Medicare Advantage (HMO)

Procedures and services	Additional information	CPT® or HCPCS codes
Behavioral health services Plan exclusions: None Behavioral health services through a designated behavioral health network	Many of our benefit plans only provide coverage for behavioral health services through a designated behavioral health network.	For specific codes requiring prior authorization, please call the number on the member's health plan ID card to refer for mental health and substance abuse/substance use services.
Bone growth stimulator Plan exclusions: None Electronic stimulation or ultrasound to heal fractures	Prior authorization required	20974 20975 20979
Breast reconstruction (non-mastectomy) Plan exclusions: None Reconstruction of the breast except when following mastectomy	Prior authorization required	11920 19328 19361 19371 11921 19330 19364 19380 11922 19340 19367 19396 19316 19342 19368 L8600 19318 19350 19369 19325 19357 19370 Prior authorization is not required for the following diagnosis codes: C50.019 C50.612 C50.329 D05.01 C50.011 C50.619 C50.421 D05.02 C50.012 C50.811 C50.422 D05.10 C50.111 C50.812 C50.429 D05.11 C50.112 C50.819 C50.521 D05.12 C50.119 C50.911 C50.522 D05.80 C50.211 C50.912 C50.529 D05.81 C50.212 C50.919 C50.621 D05.82 C50.219 C50.029 C50.622 D05.91 C50.311 C50.021 C50.629 D05.92 C50.312 C50.022 C50.821 Z85.3 C50.319 C50.121 C50.822 Z90.10 C50.411 C50.122 C50.829 Z90.11 C50.412 C50.129 C50.921 Z90.12 C50.419 C50.221 C50.922 Z90.13 C50.511 C50.222 C50.929 Z42.1 C50.512 C50.229 C79.81 C50.519 C50.321 D05.90 C50.611 C50.322 D05.00
Cancer supportive care plan exclusions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institutional special needs plans (ISNP) 	Prior authorization required for colony-stimulating factor drugs and bone-modifying agent(s) administered in an outpatient setting for a cancer diagnosis.	<u>Injectable colony-stimulating factor drugs that require prior authorization:</u> Filgrastim (Neupogen®) J1442* Filgrastim-aafi (Nivestym™)

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Cancer supportive care (continued)	<p>*Codes J1442, J1447, Q5108, Q5110, Q5120 and Q5122 also require prior authorization for non-oncology DX. See Injectable medications section below.</p>	Q5110* Filgrastim-sndz (Zarxio®) Q5101 Pegfilgrastim (Neulasta®) J2505 Pegfilgrastim-apgf (Nyvepria™) Q5122* Pegfilgrastim-bmez (Ziextenzo®) Q5120* Pegfilgrastim-cbqv (UDENYCAT™) Q5111 Pegfilgrastim-jmdb (Fulphila™) Q5108* Sargramostim (Leukine®) J2820 Tbo-filgrastim (Granix®) J1447*
		Bone-modifying agent that requires prior authorization: Denosumab (Xgeva®) J0897
Cardiology Plan exclusions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UnitedHealthcare® nursing home and UnitedHealthcare® assisted living plans (HMO SNP), (HMO-POS SNP), (PPO SNP) 	Prior authorization required for participating physicians for inpatient, outpatient and office-based electrophysiology (EP) implants prior to performance Prior authorization required for participating physicians for outpatient and office-based diagnostic catheterizations and stress echocardiograms prior to performance	33206 33207 33208 33212 33213 33214 33221 33224 33225 33227 33228 33229 33230 33231 33240 33249 33262 33263 33264 33270 93350 93351 93452 93453 93454 93455 93456 93457 93458 93459 93460 93461 E0616 33285

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Cardiovascular (continued)		I70.408	I70.509	I70.609	I70.709
		I70.409	I70.511	I70.611	I70.711
		I70.411	I70.512	I70.612	I70.712
		I70.412	I70.513	I70.613	I70.713
		I70.413	I70.518	I70.618	I70.718
		I70.418	I70.519	I70.619	I70.719
		I70.421	I70.521	I70.621	I70.721
		I70.422	I70.522	I70.622	I70.722
		I70.423	I70.523	I70.623	I70.723
		I70.428	I70.528	I70.628	I70.728
		I70.429	I70.529	I70.629	I70.729
		I70.431	I70.531	I70.631	I70.731
		I70.432	I70.532	I70.632	I70.732
		I70.433	I70.533	I70.633	I70.733
		I70.434	I70.534	I70.634	I70.734
		I70.435	I70.535	I70.635	I70.735
		I70.438	I70.538	I70.638	I70.738
		I70.439	I70.539	I70.639	I70.739
		I70.441	I70.541	I70.641	I70.741
		I70.442	I70.542	I70.642	I70.742
		I70.443	I70.543	I70.643	I70.743
		I70.444	I70.544	I70.644	I70.744
		I70.445	I70.545	I70.645	I70.745
		I70.448	I70.548	I70.648	I70.748
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		I70.461	I70.561	I70.661	I70.761
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		I70.463	I70.563	I70.663	I70.763
		I70.468	I70.568	I70.668	I70.768
		I70.469	I70.569	I70.669	I70.769
		I70.491	I70.591	I70.691	I70.791
		I70.492	I70.592	I70.692	I70.792
		I70.493	I70.593	I70.693	I70.793
		I70.498	I70.598	I70.698	I70.798
		I70.499	I70.599	I70.699	I70.799
		I70.501	I70.601	I70.701	I70.8
		I70.502	I70.602	I70.702	I70.90
		I70.503	I70.603	I70.703	I70.91
		I70.508	I70.608	I70.708	I70.92

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Cardiovascular (continued)		I72.3 I72.4 I72.8 I72.9 I73.89 I73.9 I74.3 I74.4 I74.5 I74.8 I74.9 I75.021 I75.022 I75.023 I75.029 I75.89 I77.1 I77.2 I77.70 I77.72 I77.77 I77.79 I96 L03.115 L03.116 L97.319 L97.329 L97.419 L97.429 L97.511 L97.512 L97.513	L97.519 L97.521 L97.522 L97.529 L97.819 L97.828 L97.829 L97.909 L97.919 L97.929 L98.491 L98.499 M79.604 M79.605 M79.606 M79.609 M79.651 M79.652 M79.659 M79.661 M79.662 M79.669 M79.671 M79.672 M79.673 M79.674 M79.675 M79.676 M86.661 M86.662 M86.669 M86.671	M86.672 M86.679 M86.8X7 Q27.30 Q27.32 Q27.39 Q27.8 Q27.9 Q87.2 R93.6 S35.511A S35.512A S81.801A S81.802A S81.809A S91.301A S91.302A S91.309A T82.312A T82.318A T82.319A T82.338A T82.392A T82.398A T82.399A T82.818A T82.856A T82.858A T82.868A T82.898A Z95.820 Z98.62
Cartilage implants	Prior authorization required	27415	27416	
Chemotherapy Plan exclusions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Institutional special needs plans (ISNP) 	Notification required for injectable chemotherapy drugs administered in an outpatient setting, including intravenous, intravesical and intrathecal for a cancer diagnosis	Injectable chemotherapy drugs that require notification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chemotherapy injectable drugs that have not yet received an assigned code and will be billed under a miscellaneous Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code 		

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		90586 J7504 J9150 J9246 J9331 A4641 J9000 J9151 J9247 J9332 A9513 J9015 J9153 J9250 J9340 A9590 J9017 J9155 J9260 J9348 A9606 J9019 J9160 J9261 J9349 A9699 J9020 J9171 J9262 J9351 C9096 J9021 J9173 J9263 J9352 C9098 J9022 J9175 J9264 J9353 C9257 J9023 J9176 J9266 J9354 C9399 J9025 J9177 J9267 J9355 J0185 J9027 J9178 J9268 J9356 J0202 J9030 J9179 J9269 J9357 J0222 J9032 J9181 J9270 J9358 J0640 J9033 J9185 J9271 J9359 J0641 J9034 J9190 J9272 J9360 J0642 J9035 J9198 J9273 J9370 J0881 J9036 J9200 J9280 J9371 J0885 J9037 J9201 J9281 J9390 J0897 J9039 J9202 J9293 J9395 J1442 J9040 J9203 J9295 J9400 J1447 J9041 J9204 J9299 J9600 J1448 J9042 J9205 J9301 Q2017 J1453 J9043 J9206 J9302 Q2043 J1454 J9044 J9207 J9303 Q2049 J1627 J9045 J9208 J9304 Q2050 J1930 J9047 J9209 J9305 Q5101 J1950 J9050 J9210 J9306 Q5107 J1952 J9055 J9211 J9307 Q5108 J2353 J9057 J9212 J9308 Q5110 J2354 J9060 J9213 J9309 Q5111 J2357 J9061 J9214 J9311 Q5112 J2506 J9065 J9215 J9312 Q5113 J2796 J9070 J9216 J9313 Q5114 J2820 J9071 J9217 J9316 Q5115 J2860 J9100 J9223 J9317 Q5116 J3262 J9118 J9225 J9318 Q5117 J3315 J9119 J9227 J9319 Q5118 J3490 J9120 J9228 J9320 Q5119 J3490 J9130 J9229 J9325 Q5120 J3590 J9144 J9230 J9328 Q5122 J3590 J9145 J9245 J9330 Q5123				
		Prior authorization requests for drugs with a cancer diagnosis, should be submitted to our Cancer Guidance Program. Online: mbm.linkplatform.com Via email: optumcare_smgp@optum.com Phone: 1-877-454-8365, TTY 711				

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Cochlear and other auditory implants Plan exclusions: None A medical device within the inner ear and with an external portion to help persons with profound sensorineural deafness achieve conversational speech	Prior authorization required	69714 L8690	69930 L8691	L8614 L8692	L8619
Cosmetic and reconstructive procedures Plan exclusions: None Cosmetic procedures that change or improve physical appearance without significantly improving or restoring physiological function Reconstructive procedures that treat a medical condition or improve or restore physiologic function	Prior authorization required Advance notification required for services, whether scheduled as inpatient or outpatient	11960 11971 15820 15821 15822 15823* 15830 15847 17106 17107 17108 17999 21172 21175 21179 21180	21181 21182 21183 21184 21230 21235 21248 21249 21255 21256 21260 21261 21263 21267 21268 21275	21299 21740 21742 21743 28344 30540 30545 30560 30620 31295 31296 31297 31298 67900* 67901 67902	67903 67904* 67906 67908 67909 67912 67950 67961 67966 Q2026 15877 15878 15879 31299
Durable medical equipment (DME) Plan exclusions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institutional special needs plans (ISNP) 	Prosthetics are not DME for UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage plan members - see prosthetics and orthotics. Some home health care services may qualify under the DME requirement but aren't subject to the \$1,000 retail purchase or cumulative retail rental cost threshold - see home health care services. Some payer groups may have different DME advance notification requirements for plan members through their benefit plans.	Prior authorization required regardless of billed amount: E0466 E1230 E1239 E2310 E2311 E2321 K0800 K0801 K0802 K0806 K0808 K0812 K0813 K0814 K0815 K0816	K0820 K0821 K0822 K0823 K0824 K0825 K0826 K0827 K0828 K0829 K0830 K0831 K0835 K0836 K0837 K0838	K0839 K0840 K0841 K0842 K0843 K0848 K0849 K0850 K0851 K0852 K0853 K0854 K0855 K0856 K0857 K0858	K0859 K0860 K0861 K0862 K0863 K0864 K0869 K0870 K0871 K0877 K0878 K0879 K0880 K0884 K0885 K0886

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Durable medical equipment (DME) (continued)	<p>For UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage plans:</p> <p>Power mobility devices/accessories and lymphedema pumps require notification or prior authorization regardless of the cost.</p>	K0890 K0891	K0898 K0899	E0766 E2510	E2609 E2617	

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End-stage renal disease/dialysis services Plan exclusions: None Services for the treatment of end-stage renal disease (ESRD) require advance notification – includes outpatient dialysis services	<p>Advance notification is required if a plan member is referred to an out-of-network provider for dialysis services. The purpose of steering to an in-network dialysis center is to avoid high cost-shares for plan members, even when they may have out-of-network benefits.</p> <p>Advance notification/prior authorization isn't required for ESRD when a UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage plan member travels</p> <p>Note: Your agreement with us may include restrictions on referring plan members outside of the UnitedHealthcare network.</p>	To enroll or refer a UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage plan member to the Optum Kidney Resource Service, please call 1-866-561-7518 .																																																												
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Gender dysphoria treatment (continued)		64892 64896 92507 92508			
Home health	Prior authorization is only required for members residing in and receiving services in Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Kentucky, South Carolina and Texas	99503 G0158 G0494 S9127 99505 G0159 G0495 S9128 G0151 G0160 G0496 S9129 G0152 G0161 G2168 S9131 G0153 G0162 G2169 S9474 G0155 G0299 S9122 G0156 G0300 S9123 G0157 G0493 S9124			
Hysterectomy (abdominal and laparoscopic surgeries) – inpatient and outpatient procedures Plan exclusions: None	Prior authorization required	58150 58152 58180 58541 58542 58543 58544 58550 58552 58553 58554 58570 58571 58572 58573			
Hysterectomy (vaginal) – inpatient only Plan exclusions: None	No prior authorization required for outpatient vaginal hysterectomies	58260 58262 58263 58267 58270 58275 58280 58290 58291 58292 58294			
Injectable medications Plan exclusions for therapeutic radiopharmaceuticals: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Institutional special needs plans (ISNP)	Prior authorization required	Adakveo® J0791 Ultomiris™ J1303 Oxlumo™ J0224 Crysvita® J0584 Uplizna® J1823 Releuko® C9096 Givlaari® J0223 Zolgensma® J3399 Rylaze J9021 Luxturna™ J3398 Aduhelm™ J0172 Ryplazim® J2998 Onpattro™ J0222 Entyvio™ J3380 Saphnelo™ J0491 Radicava® J1301 Evkeeza™ J1305 Vabysmo™ C9097 Reblozyl® J0896 Injectafer® J1439 Vyepti® J3032 Scenesse® J7352 Leqvo® J1306 Vyvgart™ J9332 Soliris® J1300 Nexviazyme® J0219 Korsuva® J0879 Spinraza™ J2326 Ocrevus™ J2350 Enjaymo™ J1302 Tepezza® J3241 Orencia™ J0129 Tezspire® J2356 Therapeutic radiopharmaceuticals A9513 A9590 A9606 A9699			
Injectable medications (continued)		For oncology DX, please see cancer supportive care and chemotherapy sections above.			

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Injectable medications – step therapy Plan exclusions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private fee for service • Erickson Advantage • People's Health in LA • Employer group HMO plans • Select employer group PPO plans: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Navistar - Johnson&Johnson - Bristol-MyersSquibb - Verizon • Plans offered in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - California 	Prior authorization required	<p>Colony-stimulating factors** J1442 J1447 Q5108 Q5110 Q5120 Q5122</p> <p>Erythropoiesis-stimulating agents J0885</p> <p>Hyaluronic acid polymers (FDA approved as medical devices) J7320 J7321 J7322 J7323 J7324 J7326 J7327 J7329 J7331 J7332</p> <p>Immunomodulators J1745 Q5121</p> <p>Rituximab J9311 J9312 Q5123</p> <p>Vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF) inhibitors*** J0178 J0179 C9093 J2778 Q5124 J2777</p> <p>**For codes J1442, J1447, Q5108, Q5110, Q5120 and Q5122 prior authorization is required for both oncology and non-oncology DX.</p> <p>***Prior authorization only required for VEGF codes with the following diagnosis codes:</p> <p>H35.3210 H35.3211 H35.3212 H35.3213 H35.3220 H35.3221 H35.3222 H35.3223 H35.3230 H35.3231 H35.3232 H35.3233 H35.3290 H35.3291 H35.3292 H35.3293</p> <p>For oncology DX, please see cancer supportive care and chemotherapy sections above.</p>
Inpatient admission	Notification required	
Inpatient admissions – post-acute services Plan exclusions: None	Prior authorization and notification of admission date required for these facilities providing post-acute inpatient services:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute care hospitals • Acute inpatient rehabilitation • Critical access hospitals • Long-term acute care hospitals • Skilled nursing facilities

Procedures and services	Additional information	CPT® or HCPCS codes
Inpatient admissions – post-acute services (continued)	<p>Note: These plans are excluded from the skilled nursing facility prior authorization requirement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UnitedHealthcare® assisted living plans (HMO SNP), (HMO-POS SNP), (PPO SNP) • UnitedHealthcare® nursing home 	
Non-emergency air transport Plan exclusions: None Non-urgent ambulance transportation by air between specified locations	Prior authorization required	A0430 A0431 A0435 A0436
Orthognathic surgery Plan exclusions: None Treatment of maxillofacial (jaw) functional impairment	Prior authorization required	21120 21145 21188 21215 21121 21146 21193 21240 21122 21147 21194 21242 21123 21150 21195 21244 21125 21151 21196 21245 21127 21154 21198 21246 21141 21155 21199 21247 21142 21159 21206 21143 21160 21210
Orthotics Plan exclusions: None	Prior authorization required for orthotics codes listed with a retail purchase or cumulative rental cost of more than \$1,000	L0112 L0623 L1001 L1844 L0140 L0624 L1005 L1904 L0150 L0629 L1200 L1920 L0170 L0631 L1300 L2000 L0200 L0632 L1310 L2005 L0220 L0634 L1499 L2010 L0452 L0636 L1630 L2020 L0462 L0638 L1640 L2030 L0464 L0700 L1680 L2034 L0466 L0710 L1685 L2036 L0468 L0810 L1700 L2037 L0480 L0820 L1710 L2038 L0482 L0830 L1720 L2040 L0484 L0859 L1730 L2050 L0486 L0999 L1755 L2060 L0622 L1000 L1834 L2070

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Orthotics (continued)		L2080 L2090 L2126 L2136 L2232 L2320 L2387 L2520 L2525 L2526 L2627 L2628 L2800 L2861 L3160 L3201 L3202	L3203 L3204 L3206 L3207 L3208 L3209 L3211 L3212 L3213 L3214 L3215 L3250 L3251 L3252 L3253 L3254 L3255	L3257 L3265 L3320 L3485 L3649 L3674 L3720 L3764 L3765 L3766 L3891 L3900 L3901 L3904 L3921 L3956 L3961	L3967 L3971 L3973 L3975 L3976 L3977 L3978 L4000 L4030 L4040 L4045 L4050 L4055 L4631
Orthopedic surgeries Plan exclusions: None Spine and joint surgeries	Prior authorization required	22100 22101 22102 22110 22112 22114 22206 22207 22210 22212 22214 22220 22222 22224 22232 22533 22548 22551 22554 22556 22558 22590 22595 22600 22610 22612 22630 22633 22800 22802 22804	22808 22810 22812 22818 22819 22830 22849 22850 22852 22855 22856 22861 22864 22865 22867 22869 22899 23470 23472 24360 24361 24362 24363 27120 27122 27125 27130 27132 27134 27137 27138	27412 27445 27446 27447 27486 27487 29866 29867 29868 29914 29915 29916 63001 63003 63005 63011 63012 63015 63016 63017 63020 63030 63040 63042 63045 63046 63047 63050 63051 63055 63056	63064 63075 63077 63081 63085 63087 63090 24365 25441 25442 25444 25446 25449 27700 29834 29837 29838 29840 29844 29845 29846 29847 29891 29892 29894 29895 29897 29898 29899

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Orthopedic surgeries (continued)		63101 63102 63170 63172 63173	63185 63190 63191 63197 63200	0200T 0201T J7330		
Out-of-network services Plan exclusions: None A recommendation from a network physician or health care provider to a hospital, physician or other health care provider who isn't contracted with Optum Care	<p>Please note that your agreement with Optum Care may include restrictions on directing plan members outside of the Optum Care Network. Plan members who use non-network physicians, health care professionals or facilities may have increased out-of-pocket expenses or no coverage.</p> <p><u>Advance notification is required for UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage plan members in the following circumstances:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A network physician or health care professional directs a member to an out-of-network facility, physician or other health care provider and the member's benefit plan doesn't include benefits for out-of-network services. A network physician or health care provider directs a member to an out-of-network facility, physician or other health care provider and the member's benefit plan includes benefits for out-of-network services – but there are no available in-network care providers for the type of specialty services needed. A network physician or health care provider requests in-network cost sharing or benefit level because there aren't in network care providers for the type of specialty services needed. 					
Pain management	Prior authorization required	62350	62351	62360	62361	62362

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Potentially unproven services (including experimental/investigational and/or linked services) Plan exclusions: None	Prior authorization required Services, including medications, determined not to be effective for treatment of a medical condition Services determined not to have a beneficial effect on health outcomes, due to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insufficient and inadequate clinical evidence from well-conducted randomized controlled trials • Cohort studies in the prevailing published peer-reviewed medical literature 	28890 36514 64405* 64722 64744 66180* 95965 95966	
		*Note: If case is outpatient hospital, site of service (SOS) review is required	
Prostate procedures	Prior authorization required	52441 52442 55874	
Prosthetics Plan exclusions: None	Prior authorization required only for prosthetics with a retail purchase or a cumulative rental cost of more than \$1,000	L5010 L5500 L5651 L5840 L5020 L5505 L5681 L5845 L5050 L5510 L5683 L5848 L5060 L5520 L5700 L5856 L5100 L5530 L5701 L5857 L5105 L5535 L5702 L5858 L5150 L5540 L5703 L5930 L5160 L5560 L5707 L5960 L5200 L5570 L5724 L5961 L5210 L5580 L5726 L5966 L5220 L5585 L5728 L5968 L5230 L5590 L5780 L5973 L5250 L5595 L5781 L5979 L5270 L5600 L5782 L5980 L5280 L5610 L5795 L5981 L5301 L5611 L5814 L5987 L5312 L5613 L5818 L5988 L5321 L5614 L5822 L5990 L5331 L5616 L5824 L6000 L5341 L5639 L5826 L6010 L5400 L5643 L5828 L6020 L5420 L5649 L5830 L6026	

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Prosthetics (continued)	Prior authorization required only for prosthetics with a retail purchase or a cumulative rental cost of more than \$1,000	L6050 L6055 L6100 L6110 L6120 L6130 L6200 L6205 L6250 L6300 L6310 L6320 L6350 L6360 L6370 L6380 L6382 L6384 L6400 L6450 L6500 L6550 L6570	L6580 L6582 L6584 L6586 L6588 L6590 L6621 L6624 L6638 L6646 L6648 L6693 L6696 L6697 L6707 L6709 L6712 L6713 L6714 L6715 L6721 L6722 L6880	L6881 L6882 L6883 L6884 L6885 L6895 L6900 L6905 L6910 L6920 L6925 L6930 L6935 L6940 L6945 L6950 L6955 L6960 L6965 L6970 L6975 L7007 L7008	L7009 L7040 L7045 L7170 L7180 L7181 L7185 L7190 L7191 L7499 L8035 L8039 L8041 L8042 L8043 L8044 L8049 L8499 L8505 L8604 L8609 L8699
Radiation therapy	Prior authorization required	Image guided radiation therapy (IGRT) 77014 77387 G6001 G6002 G6017 Proton beam therapy (PBT) 77520 77522 77523 77525 Special/associated services 77331 77370 77399 77470 Standard radiation therapy (2D/3D) 77401 77402 77407 77412 G6003 G6004 G6005 G6006 G6007 G6008 G6009 G6010 G6011 G6012 G6013 G6014 Y90 (Implantable beta-emitting microspheres for treatment of malignant tumors) 79445			

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Radiology Plan exclusions: UnitedHealthcare® nursing home and UnitedHealthcare® assisted living plans (HMO SNP), (HMO-POS SNP), (PPO SNP)	Prior authorization required for participating physicians who request these advanced outpatient imaging procedures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certain PET scans • Nuclear medicine and nuclear cardiology procedures For more information, please see the outpatient radiology prior authorization protocol for Medicare Advantage section in the administrative guide.	Care providers ordering an advanced outpatient imaging procedure are responsible for providing notification/requesting prior authorization before scheduling the procedure.			
Rhinoplasty plan exclusions: None Treatment of nasal functional impairment and septal deviation	Prior authorization required	30400 30410 30420 30430 30435 30450 30460 30462 30465			

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<p>Site of service (SOS) – Outpatient hospital plan exclusions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AZ DSNP • FL DSNP • HI DSNP • KY DSNP • MA DSNP • NJ DSNP • NY DSNP • TX DSNP • WI DSNP 	<p>Prior authorization is only required when requesting service in an outpatient hospital setting</p> <p>Prior authorization is not required if performed at a participating ambulatory surgery center (ASC)</p>	<p>Breast lesion/cyst/tumor removal 19125</p> <p>Carpal tunnel surgery 29848</p> <p>Corneal transplant 65756</p> <p>Colonoscopy and biopsy</p> <table> <tbody> <tr><td>44388</td><td>45378</td><td>45384</td><td>45390</td></tr> <tr><td>44389</td><td>45379</td><td>45385</td><td>45393</td></tr> <tr><td>44391</td><td>45380</td><td>45386</td><td>G0105</td></tr> <tr><td>44408</td><td>45381</td><td>45388</td><td>G0121</td></tr> <tr><td>45330</td><td>45382</td><td>45389</td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Cystoscopy</p> <table> <tbody> <tr><td>52000</td><td>52005</td><td>52204</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>52001</td><td>52007</td><td>52214</td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Deviated septum repair 30520</p> <p>Eye surgery</p> <table> <tbody> <tr><td>0191T</td><td>66984</td><td>67042</td><td>67210</td></tr> <tr><td>65855</td><td>67036</td><td>67108</td><td>67228</td></tr> <tr><td>66183</td><td>67040</td><td>67113</td><td>67917</td></tr> <tr><td>66982</td><td>67041</td><td>67145</td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Fractured arm</p> <table> <tbody> <tr><td>23615</td><td>24516</td><td>25545</td><td>25607</td></tr> <tr><td>23630</td><td>24665</td><td>25605</td><td>25608</td></tr> <tr><td>24515</td><td>24666</td><td>25606</td><td>25609</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Glaucoma procedures 65820 66170</p> <p>Hernia repair</p> <table> <tbody> <tr><td>49505</td><td>49553</td><td>49587</td><td>49653</td></tr> <tr><td>49521</td><td>49570</td><td>49650</td><td>49654</td></tr> <tr><td>49525</td><td>49572</td><td>49651</td><td>49655</td></tr> <tr><td>49550</td><td>49585</td><td>49652</td><td>49656</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Knee arthroscopy</p> <table> <tbody> <tr><td>29870</td><td>29876</td><td>29880</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>29874</td><td>29877</td><td>29881</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>29875</td><td>29879</td><td>29888</td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Other bladder surgeries</p> <table> <tbody> <tr><td>51720</td><td>52287</td><td>52315</td><td>52341</td></tr> <tr><td>51728</td><td>52300</td><td>52330</td><td>52344</td></tr> <tr><td>51729</td><td>52310</td><td>52332</td><td>52351</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Other female genital surgeries 57240 57260 57288 58558</p> <p>Other foot/toe surgeries</p> <table> <tbody> <tr><td>28120</td><td>28288</td><td>28296</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>28285</td><td>28291</td><td></td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Other male genital surgeries 55040</p> <p>Other nervous system surgeries 64718 64721</p>	44388	45378	45384	45390	44389	45379	45385	45393	44391	45380	45386	G0105	44408	45381	45388	G0121	45330	45382	45389		52000	52005	52204		52001	52007	52214		0191T	66984	67042	67210	65855	67036	67108	67228	66183	67040	67113	67917	66982	67041	67145		23615	24516	25545	25607	23630	24665	25605	25608	24515	24666	25606	25609	49505	49553	49587	49653	49521	49570	49650	49654	49525	49572	49651	49655	49550	49585	49652	49656	29870	29876	29880		29874	29877	29881		29875	29879	29888		51720	52287	52315	52341	51728	52300	52330	52344	51729	52310	52332	52351	28120	28288	28296		28285	28291		
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Sleep apnea procedures and surgeries Plan exclusions: None Maxillomandibular advancement or oral pharyngeal tissue reduction for treatment of obstructive sleep apnea	Prior authorization required Applies to inpatient or outpatient procedures and surgeries, including, but not limited to: palatopharyngoplasty – oral pharyngeal reconstructive surgery that includes laser-assisted uvulopalatoplasty. Applies only for surgical sleep apnea procedures and not sleep studies.	21685 41512 41530 41599 42145
Spine surgery	Prior authorization required	20930 20931 20939 22854 22858

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Stimulators Plan exclusions: None Implantation of a device that sends electrical impulses	Prior authorization required	Bone growth stimulator E0747 E0748 E0749 E0760 Neurostimulator 61850 61863 61864 61867 61868 61885 61886 63650 63655 63685 64555 64568 64590 L8682 L8683
Therapeutic radiology services Plan exclusions: None	Prior authorization required	Intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT) 77385 77386 G6015 G6016 Stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS) and stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT) 77371 77372 77373 G0339 G0340
Transplant of tissue or organs Plan exclusions: None Organ or tissue transplant or transplant-related services prior to pre-treatment or evaluation Request for transplant or transplant-related services prior to pre-treatment or evaluation	Prior authorization required	For transplant and CAR T-cell therapy services, including Kymriah™ (tisagenlecleucel), Abecma® (Idencaptagene Cicleucel), Breyanzi®, Carvykti™ (Ciltacabtagene Autoleucel), Tecartus™ (brexucabtagene autoleucel) and Yescarta™ (axicabtagene ciloleucel), please call the Optum transplant case management team at 1-888-936-7246 or the notification number on the back of the member's health plan ID card. Bone marrow harvest 38240 38241 38242 Heart/lung 33930 33935 Heart 33940 33944 33945 Lung 32850 32851 32852 32853 32854 32856 S2060 S2061

Procedures and services	Additional information	CPT® or HCPCS codes and/or how to obtain prior authorization
Transplant of tissue or organs (continued)	Prior authorization required	<p>Kidney 50300 50320 50323 50340 50360 50365 50370 50380 50547</p> <p>Pancreas 48551 48552 48554</p> <p>Liver 47135 47143 47147</p> <p>Intestine 44132 44133 44135 44136</p> <p>Services related to transplants 32855 33933 38208 38209 38210 38212 38213 38214 38215 38232* 44137 44715 44720 44721 47133 47140 47141 47142 47144 47145 47146 50325 S2152 C9076</p> <p>CAR T-cell therapy 0537T 0538T 0539T 0540T C9098** J9999** Q2041 Q2042 Q2053 Q2054 Q2055</p> <p>*Code 38232 will only require prior authorization for an oncology diagnosis. **For unclassified code J9999 prior authorization is only required for Tecartus™</p>
Vein procedures Plan exclusions: None Removal and ablation of the main trunks and named branches of the saphenous veins in the treatment of venous disease and varicose veins of the extremities	Prior authorization required	37243 37799 37700 37718 37722 37780
Ventricular assist devices (VAD) Plan exclusions: None A mechanical pump that takes over the function of the damaged ventricle of the heart and restores normal blood flow		Please call the Optum VAD case management team at 1-888-936-7246 or the notification number on the back of the member's health plan ID card. 33927 33928 33929 33975 33983 33976 33979 33981 33982

