

PROVIDER NOTIFICATION

MEDICAID PRECERTIFICATION OPTIMIZATION

Dear Valued Provider,

In a periodic review of our Prior Authorization code listing, we are adding the attached list of codes which will require prior authorization. If you have questions, contact your health plan representative.

Effective August 26, 2022 Aetna Better Health of Texas ***will require prior authorization*** for the set of codes listed below for participating providers. This is part of a larger optimization initiative intended to ensure the safety, medical necessity, and appropriateness of request procedures.

As always, do not hesitate to contact your Aetna Better Health of Texas Provider Relations Representative with any questions or comments.

STAR (Medicaid)

Bexar area

1-800-248-7767 (TTY: 711)

Tarrant area

1-800-306-8612 (TTY: 711)

STAR Kids

Dallas and Tarrant areas

1-844-787-5437 (TTY: 711)

Thank you for your valued partnership in caring for our Aetna Better Health Members.

Sincerely,

Provider Services and Chief Medical Officer

Aetna Better Health of Texas

Code List

Code	Code Description
20939	BONE MARROW ASPIRATION BONE GRFG SPI SURG ONLY
22532	ARTHRODESIS LATERAL EXTRACAVITARY THORACIC
22533	ARTHRODESIS LATERAL EXTRACAVITARY LUMBAR
22534	ARTHRODESIS LAT EXTRACAVITARY EA ADDL THRC/LMBR
22551	ARTHRD ANT INTERBODY DECOMPRESS CERVICAL BELW C2
22552	ARTHRD ANT INTERDY CERVCL BELW C2 EA ADDL NTRSPC
22554	ARTHRODESIS ANTERIOR INTERBODY CERVICAL BELW C2
22556	ARTHRODESIS ANTERIOR INTERBODY THORACIC
22558	ARTHRODESIS ANTERIOR INTERBODY LUMBAR
22585	ARTHRODESIS ANTERIOR INTERBODY EA ADDL NTRSPC
22586	PRESCLR FUSE W/ INSTR L5/S1
22590	ARTHRODESIS POSTERIOR CRANIOCERVICAL
22595	ARTHRODESIS POSTERIOR ATLAS-AXIS C1-C2
22610	ARTHRD PST TQ 1NTRSPC THRC
22612	ARTHRD PST TQ 1NTRSPC LUMBAR
22614	ARTHRD PST TQ 1NTRSPC EA ADD
22630	ARTHRODESIS POSTERIOR INTERBODY LUMBAR

22632	ARTHRODESIS POSTERIOR INTERBODY EA ADDL
22633	ARTHRD CMBN 1INTRSPC LUMBAR
22634	ARTHRD CMBN 1INTRSPC EA ADDL
22802	ARTHRODESIS POSTERIOR SPINAL DFRM 7-12 VRT SEG
22808	ARTHRODESIS ANTERIOR SPINAL DFRM 2-3 VRT SEG
22812	ARTHRODESIS POSTERIOR SPINAL DFRM 8/> VRT SEG
22849	REINSERTION SPINAL FIXATION DEVICE
22853	Insertion of interbody biomechanical device(s) (eg, synthetic cage, mesh) with integral anterior instrumentation for device anchoring (eg, screws, flanges), when performed, to intervertebral disc space in conjunction with interbody arthrodesis, each interspace (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
22854	Insertion of intervertebral biomechanical device(s) (eg, synthetic cage, mesh) with integral anterior instrumentation for device anchoring (eg, screws, flanges), when performed, to vertebral corpectomy(ies) (vertebral body resection, partial or complete) defect, in conjunction with interbody arthrodesis, each contiguous defect (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
22859	Insertion of intervertebral biomechanical device(s) (eg, synthetic cage, mesh, methylmethacrylate) to intervertebral disc space or vertebral body defect without interbody arthrodesis, each contiguous defect (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
27280	ARTHRODESIS SACROILIAC JOINT W/OBTAINING GRAFT
63001	LAM W/O FACETEC FORAMOT/DSKC 1/2 VRT SEG CRV
63005	LAM W/O FFD 1/2 VRT SEG LMBR
63011	LAM W/O FFD 1/2 VRT SEG SAC
63015	LAM W/O FFD > 2 VRT SEG CRV

63016	LAM W/O FFD > 2 VRT SEG THRC
63017 63020	LAM W/O FFD > 2 VRT SEG LMBR LAMINOTOMY INCL OPN & NDSC 1 INTERSPACE CERVICAL
63030	LAMINOTOMY INCL OPEN & NDSC 1 INTERSPACE LUMBAR
63035	LAMOT INCL OPEN & NDSC EA ADDL INTERSPACE CRV/LMBR
63040	LAMOT PRTL FFD HRNA8 REEXPL 1 NTRSPC CRV
63042	LAMOT PRTL FFD HRNA8 REEXPL 1 NTRSPC LMBR
63043	LAMOT PRTL FFD HRNA8 REEXPL 1 NTRSPC EA CRV
63044	LAMOT W/PRTL FFD HRNA8 REEXPL 1 NTRSPC EA LMBR
63045	LAM FACETEC & FORAMOT 1 SGM CRV
63046	LAM FACETEC & FORAMOT 1 SGM THRC
63047	LAM FACETEC & FORAMOT 1 SGM LMBR
63048	LAM FACETEC & FORAMOT EA ADDL
63050	LAMOP CRV W/DCMPRN SPI CORD 2/MORE VRT SEG
63051	LAMOP CRV DCMPRN SPI CORD 2+ SEG RCNSTJ B1
63055	TRANSPEDICULAR DCMPRN SPI CORD 1 SGM THRC
63056	TRANSPEDICULAR DCMPRN SPI CORD 1 SGM LMBR
63057	TRANSPEDICULAR DCMPRN 1 SGM EA THRC/LMBR
63064	COSTOVRT DCMPRN THRC 1 SGM
63066	COSTOVRT DCMPRN THRC EA SGM
63075	DSKC ANT DCMPRN CRV 1 NTRSPC
63076	DSKC ANT DCMPRN CRV EA NTRSPC
63077	DSKC ANT DCMPRN THRC 1 NTRSPC

63078	DSKC ANT DCM PRN THRC EA NTRSPC
63081	VCRPEC ANT DCM PRN CRV 1 SGM
63085 63087	VCRPEC TTHRC DCM PRN THRC 1 SGM VCRPEC THORACOLMBR DCM PRN LWR THRC/LMBR 1 SGM
63090	VCRPEC TRANSPRTL/RPR DCM PRN THRC LMBR/SAC 1 SGM
63185	LAM W/RHIZOTOMY 1/2 SEG
63190	LAM W/RHIZOTOMY > 2 SEG
63267	LAM EXC/EVAC ISPI LES OTH/THN NEO XDRL LMBR