

### **Provider Bulletin**

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# Medical Policies and Clinical Utilization Management Guidelines update

This communication applies to the Medicaid programs for Simply Healthcare Plans, Inc. (Simply) and Clear Health Alliance (CHA).

The Medical Policies, Clinical Utilization Management (UM) Guidelines and Third-Party Criteria below were developed and/or revised to support clinical coding edits. Note, several policies and guidelines were revised to provide clarification only and are not included. Existing precertification requirements have not changed.

Please share this notice with other members of your practice and office staff.

To view a guideline, visit https://medicalpolicy.simplyhealthcareplans.com/shp\_search.html (Simply) or https://medicalpolicy.clearhealthalliance.com/cha\_search.html (CHA).

#### Notes/updates:

Updates marked with an asterisk (\*) notate that the criteria may be perceived as more restrictive.

- \*CG-SURG-112 Carpal Tunnel Decompression Surgery
  - Outlines the Medically Necessary and Not Medically Necessary criteria for carpal tunnel decompression surgery
- \*CG-SURG-113 Tonsillectomy with or without Adenoidectomy for Adults
  - Outlines the Medically Necessary and Not Medically Necessary criteria
- \*LAB.00042 Molecular Signature Test for Predicting Response to Tumor Necrosis Factor Inhibitor Therapy
  - Molecular signature testing to predict response to Tumor Necrosis Factor inhibitor (TNFi) therapy is considered *Investigational* & *Not Medically Necessary* for all uses, including but not limited to guiding treatment for rheumatoid arthritis
- \*OR-PR.00007 Microprocessor Controlled Knee-Ankle-FootOrthosis
  - Outlines the Medically Necessary and Not Medically Necessary criteria for the use of a microprocessor controlled knee-ankle-foot orthosis

#### **Medical Policies**

On August 12, 2021, the Medical Policy and Technology Assessment Committee (MPTAC) approved the following *Medical Policies* applicable to Simply and CHA. These guidelines take effect June 3, 2022.

Publish date	Medical Policy #	Medical Policy title	New or revised
10/6/2021	*LAB.00042	Molecular Signature Test for Predicting Response to Tumor Necrosis Factor Inhibitor Therapy	New
10/6/2021	*OR-PR.00007	Microprocessor Controlled Knee-Ankle-Foot Orthosis	New
8/19/2021	SURG.00119	Endobronchial Valve Devices	Revised

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#### Clinical UM Guidelines

On August 12, 2021, the MPTAC approved the following *Clinical UM Guidelines* applicable to Simply and CHA. These guidelines were adopted by the medical operations committee for our members on September 23, 2021. These guidelines take effect June 3, 2022.

Publish date	Clinical UM Guideline #	Clinical UM Guideline title	New or revised
10/6/2021	*CG-SURG-112	Carpal Tunnel Decompression Surgery	New
10/6/2021	*CG-SURG-113	Tonsillectomy with or without Adenoidectomy for Adults	New
10/6/2021	CG-DME-44	Electric Tumor Treatment Field (TTF)	Revised
8/19/2021	CG-GENE-22	Gene Expression Profiling for Managing Breast Cancer Treatment	Revised
8/19/2021	CG-MED-55	Site of Care: Advanced Radiologic Imaging	Revised
8/19/2021	CG-SURG-82	Bone-Anchored and Bone Conduction Hearing Aids	Revised