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The following new and revised policies were endorsed at the May 3, 2018 Medical Policy & Technology Assessment Committee (MPTAC) meeting. These, and all Anthem medical policies, are available on our website at [Medical Policies and Clinical UM Guidelines](#).

If you do not have access to the Internet, you may request a hard copy of any updated policy by contacting the [Provider Call Center](#).

Please note that the Federal Employee Program® Medical Policy Manual may be accessed at [Brochures and Forms](#).

### Revised medical policies effective May 10, 2018

(The following policies were revised to expand medical necessity indications or criteria.)

DRUG.00047 - Brentuximab Vedotin (Adcetris®)  
DRUG.00053 - Carfilzomib (Kyprolis®)  
DRUG.00076 - Blinatumomab (Blincyto®)  
SURG.00026 - Deep Brain, Cortical, and Cerebellar Stimulation

### Revised medical policies effective June 6, 2018

(The following policies were revised to expand medical necessity indications or criteria.)

DRUG.00046 - Ipilimumab (Yervoy®)  
DRUG.00071 - Pembrolizumab (Keytruda®)  
DRUG.00075 - Nivolumab (Opdivo®)  
GENE.00012 - Preconception or Prenatal Genetic Testing of a Parent or Prospective Parent  
GENE.00026 - Cell-Free Fetal DNA-Based Prenatal Testing

### Revised medical policies effective June 6, 2018

(The following policies were reviewed and may have word changes or clarifications, but had no significant changes to the policy position or criteria.)

DME.00022 - Functional Electrical Stimulation FES; Threshold Electrical Stimulation TES

DRUG.00067 - Ramucirumab (Cyramza®)  
DRUG.00088 - Atezolizumab (Tecentriq®)  
DRUG.00104 - Nusinersen (SPINRAZA®)  
DRUG.00107 - Avelumab (Bavencio®)  
DRUG.00109 - Durvalumab (Imfinzi®)  
DRUG.00110 - Inotuzumab ozogamicin (Besponsa®)  
DRUG.00111 - Monoclonal Antibodies to Interleukin-23  
GENE.00001 - Genetic Testing for Cancer Susceptibility  
GENE.00002 - Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis Testing  
GENE.00005 - BCR-ABL Mutation Analysis (Qualitative)  
GENE.00007 - Cardiac Ion Channel Genetic Testing  
GENE.00009 - Gene-Based Tests for Screening, Detection and Management of Prostate Cancer  
GENE.00016 - Gene Expression Profiling for Colorectal Cancer  
GENE.00017 - Genetic Testing for Diagnosis of Hereditary Cardiomyopathies (including ARVD/C)  
GENE.00023 - Gene Expression Profiling of Melanomas  
GENE.00025 - Molecular Profiling and Proteogenomic Testing for the Evaluation of Malignant Tumors  
GENE.00031 - Genetic Testing for PTEN Hamartoma Tumor Syndrome  
GENE.00038 - Genetic Testing for Statin-Induced Myopathy  
GENE.00040 - Genetic Testing for CHARGE Syndrome  
GENE.00045 - Detection and Quantification of Tumor DNA Using Next Generation Sequencing in Lymphoid Cancers  
LAB.00003 - In Vitro Chemosensitivity Assays and In Vitro Chemoresistance Assays  
LAB.00011 - Analysis of Proteomic Patterns  
LAB.00015 - Detection of Circulating Tumor Cells in the Blood as a Prognostic Factor for Cancer  
LAB.00025 - Topographic Genotyping  
MED.00024 - Adoptive Immunotherapy and Cellular Therapy  
MED.00053 - Noninvasive Measurement of Left Ventricular End Diastolic Pressure (LVEDP) in the Outpatient Setting  
MED.00077 - In Vivo Analysis of Gastrointestinal Lesions  
MED.00087 - Imaging Techniques for Screening and Identification of Cervical Cancer  
MED.00102 - Ultrafiltration in Decompensated Heart Failure  
MED.00104 - Non-invasive Measurement of Advanced Glycation Endproducts (AGEs) in the Skin  
MED.00105 - Bioimpedance Spectroscopy Devices for the Detection and Management of Lymphedema  
MED.00111 - Intracardiac Ischemia Monitoring  
MED.00112 - Autonomic Testing

MED.00118 - Continuous Monitoring of Intraocular Pressure  
MED.00119 - High Intensity Focused Ultrasound (HIFU) for Oncologic Indications  
MED.00124 - Tisagenlecleucel (Kymriah™)  
OR-PR.00003 - Microprocessor Controlled Lower Limb Prosthesis  
OR-PR.00004 - Partial-Hand Myoelectric Prosthesis  
RAD.00001 - Computed Tomography to Detect Coronary Artery Calcification  
RAD.00022 - Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy  
RAD.00040 - PET Scanning Using Gamma Cameras  
RAD.00043 - Computed Tomography Scans for Lung Cancer Screening  
RAD.00054 - MRI of the Bone Marrow  
RAD.00059 - Transcatheter Arterial Chemoembolization (TACE) and Transcatheter Arterial Embolization (TAE) for Malignant Lesions outside the Liver except Central Nervous System (CNS) and Spinal Cord  
RAD.00066 - Multiparametric Magnetic Resonance Fusion Imaging Targeted Prostate Biopsy  
SURG.00016 - Stereotactic Radiofrequency Pallidotomy  
SURG.00022 - Lung Volume Reduction Surgery  
SURG.00032 - Transcatheter Closure of Patent Foramen Ovale and Left Atrial Appendage for Stroke Prevention  
SURG.00072 - Lysis of Epidural Adhesions  
SURG.00075 - Intervertebral Stabilization Devices  
SURG.00107 - Prostate Saturation Biopsy  
SURG.00113 - Artificial Retinal Devices  
SURG.00124 - Carotid Sinus Baroreceptor Stimulation Devices  
SURG.00132 - Drug-Eluting Devices for Maintaining Sinus Ostial Patency  
SURG.00137 - Focused Microwave Thermotherapy for Breast Cancer  
SURG.00139 - Intraoperative Assessment of Surgical Margins during Breast-Conserving Surgery with Radiofrequency Spectroscopy or Optical Coherence Tomography  
SURG.00147 - Synthetic Cartilage Implant for Metatarsophalangeal Joint Disorders  
SURG.00148 - Spectral Analysis of Prostate Tissue by Fluorescence Spectroscopy  
SURG.00149 - Percutaneous Ultrasonic Ablation of Soft Tissue  
TRANS.00016 - Umbilical Cord Blood Progenitor Cell Collection, Storage and Transplantation  
TRANS.00025 - Laboratory Testing as an Aid in the Diagnosis of Heart Transplant Rejection  
TRANS.00031 - Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation for Autoimmune Disease and Miscellaneous Solid Tumors

**New medical policy effective June 6, 2018**

(The policy below is new and may result in services previously covered now being considered either not medically necessary and/or investigational)

DRUG.00098 - Lutetium Lu 177 dotatate (Lutathera®)

**Archived medical policy effective June 22, 2018. This policy is now an Anthem Clinical Guideline.**

DRUG.00092 - Buprenorphine Implant (Probuphine®)

**Archived medical policies effective June 28, 2018. These policies are now Anthem Clinical Guidelines.**

DME.00035 - Electric Tumor Treatment Field (TTF)

DRUG.00036 - Cetuximab (Erbix®)

DRUG.00041 - Rituximab (Rituxan®) for Non-Oncologic Indications

DRUG.00049 - Belatacept (Nulojix®)

DRUG.00056 - Ado-trastuzumab emtansine (Kadcyla®)

DRUG.00073 - Rilonacept (Arcalyst®)

DRUG.00079 - Bendamustine Hydrochloride

DRUG.00083 - Elotuzumab (Empliciti™)

DRUG.00084 - Interferon gamma-1b (Actimmune®)

DRUG.00085 - Ixabepilone (Ixempra®)

DRUG.00097 - Olaratumab (Lartruvo™)

MED.00026 - Hyperthermia for Cancer Therapy

RAD.00011 - Transcatheter Arterial Chemoembolization (TACE) and Transcatheter Arterial Embolization (TAE) for Treating Primary or Metastatic Liver Tumors

SURG.00001 - Carotid, Vertebral and Intracranial Artery Stent Placement with or without Angioplasty

SURG.00009 - Refractive Surgery

SURG.00065 - Locally Ablative Techniques for Treating Primary and Metastatic Liver Malignancies

SURG.00068 - Implantable Infusion Pumps

**Archived medical policy effective November 1, 2018. This policy is now an AIM Clinical Guideline.**

THER-RAD.00002 - Proton Beam Radiation Therapy

**Revised medical policies effective November 1, 2018**

(The policies below may result in services that were previously covered now being considered either not medically necessary and/or investigational.)

DRUG.00050 - Eculizumab (Soliris®)

GENE.00006 - Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor (EGFR) Testing

GENE.00012 - Preconception or Prenatal Genetic Testing of a Parent or Prospective Parent

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