

Prior Authorization Requirements for Iowa Effective May 1, 2016



This list represents United Healthcare Community Plan inpatient and outpatient prior authorization requirements for Iowa in-network. All services from out-of-network physicians, facilities and health care providers require prior authorization.

Submit prior authorization requests by fax or online for all services except radiology, cardiology and behavioral health*:

- **Online:** Submit prior authorization requests using Link.by signing in to UnitedHealthcareOnline.com using your Optum ID. You will be redirected to Link after sign-in. If you don't have an Optum ID or need help remembering your ID or password, the Link sign-in screens will guide you through the process.
- **Fax: 888-899-1680**
 - Prior Authorization Request Form available at UHCCommunityPlan.com > For Health Care Professionals > Iowa > [Provider Forms](#) or
 - Pharmacy Prior Authorization Forms available at UHCCommunityPlan.com > For Health Care Professionals > Iowa > Pharmacy Program.

*Behavioral health requests: Submit online at UnitedHealthcareOnline.com or by phone at 888-650-3462.

*Radiology and cardiology prior authorization requests: Follow the instructions on UnitedHealthcareOnline.com > Link > UnitedHealthcare Community Plan > For Health Care Professionals > Iowa > Radiology or Cardiology.

If you have questions, please call Provider Services at **888-650-3462**. Thank you.

Procedures and Services	Additional Information	Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Codes			
Bariatric surgery	Inpatient and outpatient bariatric surgery and specific obesity-related services	0312T 0316T 43647 43771 43775 43846 43865 43887 95981	0313T 0317T 43648 43772 43842 43847 43881 43888 95982	0314T 43644 43659 43773 43843 43848 43882 64590 97802	0315T 43645 43770 43774 43845 43860 43886 95980 97803
Bone growth stimulator	Electronic stimulation or ultrasound to heal fractures	20974 E0748	20975 E0760	20979 E0749	E0747
BRCA genetic testing		81162 81214 81432	81211 81215 81433	81212 81216	81213 81217
Breast reconstruction (non-mastectomy)	Reconstruction of the breast except for after mastectomy	19316 19328 19350 19366 19370 L8600	19318 19330 19357 19367 19371	19324 19340 19361 19368 19380	19325 19342 19364 19369 19396

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Cochlear and other auditory implants	A medical device within the inner ear with an external portion to help persons with profound sensorineural deafness achieve conversational speech.	69710 69718 L8616 L8621 L8627 L8692	69714 69930 L8617 L8622 L8628 L8693	69715 L8614 L8618 L8623 L8690	69717 L8615 L8619 L8624 L8691
Cosmetic and reconstructive	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	11960 15822 15877 17999 21172 21181 21230 21261 21275 21740 30540 67900 67904 67911 67916 67923 67966	11971 15823 17106 21137 21175 21182 21235 21263 21280 21742 30545 67901 67906 67912 67917 67924 Q2026	15820 15830 17107 21138 21179 21183 21256 21267 21282 21743 30560 67902 67908 67914 67921 67950	15821 15847 17108 21139 21180 21184 21260 21268 21295 28344 30620 67903 67909 67915 67922 67961
Durable medical equipment (DME) - more than \$500	DME codes listed with a retail purchase or a cumulative rental cost of more than \$500 Prosthetics are not DME (<i>see Prosthetics and Orthotics</i>)	A9275 A9999 E0266 E0296 E0304 E0457 E0470 E0485 E0636 E0651 E0667 E0671 E0691 E0700 E0764 E0786 E0986 E1005 E1009 E1030 E1086 E1140 E1229 E1233	A9279 E0193 E0270 E0297 E0328 E0460 E0471 E0486 E0637 E0652 E0668 E0672 E0692 E0710 E0782 E0947 E1002 E1006 E1010 E1035 E1089 E1161 E1230 E1234	A9280 E0194 E0274 E0300 E0329 E0465 E0472 E0601 E0641 E0656 E0669 E0673 E0693 E0745 E0783 E0948 E1003 E1007 E1011 E1036 E1090 E1220 E1231	A9900 E0265 E0277 E0302 E0445 E0466 E0483 E0620 E0650 E0666 E0670 E0675 E0694 E0762 E0784 E0984 E1004 E1008 E1018 E1085 E1130 E1226 E1232 E1236

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Enteral services	In-home nutritional therapy either enteral or through a gastrostomy tube	B4034 B4102 B4150 B4155 B4160 B9002	B4035 B4103 B4152 B4157 B4161 B9998	B4036 B4104 B4153 B4158 B4162 B9999	B4100 B4149 B4154 B4159 B9000
Experimental or investigational		33477 61863 61886 62292 65767	36514 61864 62264 64555 66180	54240 61867 62290 64722 95250	55866 61868 62291 65765 95251

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Experimental or investigational (cont'd.)		95965 95966 95967 95978 96002 0085T 0191T 0269T 0270T 0271T 0282T 0283T 0285T A4638 A6000 A9274 A9276 A9277 A9278 E0231 E1831 S0810 S1030 S1031 S1040 S2102 S3652 S8262 S9988 S9990 S9991
Femoroacetabular impingement syndrome (FAI)		29914 29915 29916
Functional endoscopic sinus surgery (FESS)	Prior authorization required for all procedure codes for dates of service on or after 7/1/2016.	31237 31239 31240 31254 31255 31256 31267 31276 31287 31288
Home health care	Personal care services	S9122
Home & community based services	Prior authorization through Community-based Case Manager during care planning assessment and determination of needs	
Injectable medications	*Call 888-650-3462 for prior authorization	Acthar J0800 Botox J0585 J0586 J0587 J0588 Cerezyme J1786 ElELYso J3060 IVIG 90283 90284 J1459 J1556 J1557 J1559 J1561 J1566 J1568 J1569 J1572 J1575 J1599 Makena/17P J1725 J2675 Synagis* 90378 VPRIV J3385 Xolair* J2357

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Joint replacement	Outpatient and inpatient joint and total hip and knee replacement procedures	23470 24360 24370 27125 27137 27447 29867	23472 24361 24371 27130 27138 27486 29868	23473 24362 27120 27132 27412 27487 J7330	23474 24363 27122 27134 27446 29866 S2112
Non-emergent air ambulance transport		A0430 S9960	A0431 S9961	A0435	A0436
Orthognathic surgery	Treatment of maxillofacial (jaw) functional impairment	21121 21127 21145 21151 21160 21195 21206 21215 21245 21249 30465	21122 21141 21146 21154 21188 21196 21208 21240 21246 21255	21123 21142 21147 21155 21193 21198 21209 21242 21247 21296	21125 21143 21150 21159 21194 21199 21210 21244 21248 21299
Orthotics and prosthetics – more than \$500	Orthotic and prosthetic codes listed with a retail purchase or cumulative rental cost of more than \$500.	L0112 L0458 L0470 L0486 L0629 L0635 L0639 L0810 L1000 L1310 L1520 L1690 L1730 L1840 L1846 L1950 L2005 L2034 L2060 L2116 L2134 L2525 L2999 L3031 L3203 L3212 L3216 L3222 L3252	L0170 L0460 L0480 L0488 L0631 L0636 L0640 L0820 L1005 L1499 L1680 L1700 L1755 L1843 L1860 L1951 L2010 L2036 L2106 L2126 L2136 L2526 L3000 L3160 L3204 L3213 L3217 L3230 L3253	L0430 L0462 L0482 L0491 L0632 L0637 L0700 L0830 L1200 L1500 L1685 L1710 L1832 L1844 L1932 L1970 L2020 L2037 L2108 L2128 L2350 L2627 L3010 L3201 L3206 L3214 L3219 L3250 L3265	L0456 L0464 L0484 L0624 L0634 L0638 L0710 L0859 L1300 L1510 L1686 L1720 L1834 L1845 L1945 L2000 L2030 L2038 L2114 L2132 L2510 L2628 L3020 L3202 L3207 L3215 L3221 L3251 L3649

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Pediatric Day Services (PDHC)	Child Care Medical Services	T1024			
Private duty nursing		T1000			
Proton beam therapy	Focused radiation therapy using beams of protons (tiny particles with a positive charge)	77520 77522 77523 77525			
Rhinoplasty	Treatment of nasal functional impairment and septal deviation	30400 30410 30420 30430 30435 30450 30460 30462			
Sinuplasty		31295 31296 31297			
Sleep apnea procedures and surgeries	Maxillomandibular advancement and oral-pharyngeal tissue reduction for treating obstructive sleep apnea	21685 41530 42145 41599			
Spinal stimulator for pain management	Spinal cord stimulators when implanted for pain management	63650 63655 63685			
Spinal surgery	Inpatient and outpatient spinal surgeries	0092T 0095T 0098T 0164T 22100 22101 22102 22110 22112 22114 22206 22207 22210 22212 22214 22220 22224 22532 22533 22548 22551 22554 22556 22558 22586 22590 22595 22600 22610 22612 22630 22633 22800 22802 22804 22808 22810 22812 22818 22819 22830 22849 22850 22852 22855 22856 22861 22864 22865 22899 63001 63003 63005 63011 63012 63015 63016 63017 63020 63030 63040 63042 63045 63046 63047 63050 63055 63056 63064 63075 63077 63081			

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Spinal surgery (cont'd.)		63085 63102 63180 63191 63198 63251 63268 63286 63303 63307	63087 63170 63182 63194 63199 63252 63270 63300 63304 63308	63090 63172 63185 63195 63200 63265 63271 63301 63305 64553	63101 63173 63190 63196 63250 63267 63272 63302 63306 64570
Vagus nerve stimulation	Implantation of a device that sends electrical impulses into one of the cranial nerves	61885 L8685	64568 L8686	L8680 L8687	L8682 L8688
Vein procedures	Removal and ablation of the main trunks and named branches of the saphenous veins for treating venous disease and varicose veins of the extremities	36468 37718	36475 37722	36478 37780	37700
Wound vac		E2402			

Additional Advance Notification and Prior Authorization Programs

Procedures and Services	Additional Information	Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Codes or How to Obtain Prior Authorization
Behavioral health services	Behavioral health services through a designated behavioral health network. Requests can be submitted online at UnitedHealthcareOnline.com or by phone at 888-650-3462.	Many of our benefit plans provide coverage for behavioral health services through a designated behavioral health network. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inpatient Mental Health and Substance Use Services (includes detoxification and residential treatment) Psychiatric Medical Institutions for Children (PMIC) Partial Hospitalization Day Treatment Intensive Outpatient Peer Support Services (H0038) Autism Services (H2014, H2019, H0031, H0032, G9012, S5108, S4110) Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) - H0040 Integrated Services and Supports (Wrap-around services) - H2022 Crisis Respite - H0045
Cardiology		Request prior authorization by calling 888-650-3462.. Prior authorization required for participating physicians for inpatient, outpatient and

Additional Advance Notification and Prior Authorization Programs

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Cardiology (cont'd.)		<p>office-based and electrophysiology implants prior to performance.</p> <p>Prior authorization required for participating physicians for outpatient and office-based diagnostic catheterizations, echocardiograms and stress echoes prior to performance.</p> <p>For more information, including a list of the CPT codes that require prior authorization, please visit UHCCommunityPlan.com > For Health Care Professionals > Iowa > Cardiology</p>
Long term services and support for home and community – based services		<p>Prior authorization through Case Manager during care planning assessment and determination of needs</p>
Inpatient hospital services	Inpatient includes acute inpatient, acute rehabilitation and Skilled Nursing Facility	Admission notification/prior authorization required
Out-of-network services	A recommendation to a provider who is not contracted with UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Iowa	All out-of-network services require prior authorization.
Radiology		<p>Prior authorization required for these advanced outpatient imaging procedures: CT, MRI, MRA, PET scan, nuclear medicine and nuclear cardiology procedures.</p> <p>The health care professional ordering an advanced outpatient imaging procedure is responsible for requesting and completing the prior authorization process before scheduling the procedure.</p> <p>Request prior authorization by calling 888-650-3462.</p> <p>For more information and a list of CPT codes that require prior authorization, go to UHCCommunityPlan.com > For Health Care Professionals > Iowa > Radiology.</p>
Transplants		For transplant services, call 888-650-3462
Ventricular assist devices	A mechanical pump that takes over the function of the damaged ventricle of the heart and restores normal blood flow	Call 888-650-3462 Or Fax 888-899-1680