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Subject: Presbyterian Will Update its Medical Policy Manual and Prior Authorization Guide on Sept. 1
Presbyterian Health Plan, Inc. and Presbyterian Insurance Company, Inc. (Presbyterian) are updating the Medical Policy Manual and Prior Authorization Guide. **Effective Sept. 1, 2022**, Presbyterian will add and/or modify the following procedures in the Medical Policy Manual and Prior Authorization Guide:

List policies that will be updated. Below are examples of policy titles:

- Allergen Immunotherapy
- Allergy Testing
- Cervical and Lumbar Spinal Procedures
- ****NEW**** DME: Bath Aids for Medicaid
- DME: For Individuals with Diabetes
- DME: Orthotic and Prosthetics
- DME: Pneumatic Compression Devices
- ****NEW**** DME: Treatment of Obstructive Sleep Apnea
- DME: Rehabilitation and Mobility Devices
- Epidural Corticosteroid Injections
- Genetic and Genomic Testing
- Genetic Testing: Hypercoagulability/Thrombophilia
- Genetic Testing, InvisionFirst Liquid Biopsy for Lung Cancer
- Genetic Testing: Next Generation Sequencing
- Genetic Testing: Non-Invasive Prenatal Testing (NIPT)
- Genetic Testing: Plasma-Based Genomic Profiling in Solid Tumor
- ****NEW**** Genetic Testing for Whole Exome Sequencing
- Investigative & New Technology Assessment List (non-covered services)
- Osteogenic Bone Growth Stimulator (Electrical)
- Panniculectomy and Abdominoplasty
- Pharmacogenomics Testing for Behavioral Health, for Medicare
- Platelet-Rich Plasma, Blood Derived Products, and Platelet-Derived Growth Factor Products for the Treatment of Wounds and Other Injuries
- Sleep Studies, Attended (In-Laboratory)
- Surgical Treatment for Benign Prostate Hyperplasia
- Varicose Vein Procedures and Venous Stasis Disease of Lower Extremity Procedures

For specific information about the updates to each of the above procedures, providers may review Presbyterian's Prior Authorization Guide & Medical Policy Manual Summary of Updates at https://onbaseext.phs.org/PEL/DisplayDocument?ContentID=PEL_00957317.

The following resources are available to providers to verify whether a prior authorization is required:

- **Medical Policy Manual:** www.phs.org/providers/resources/medical-policy-manual
- **myPRES Provider Portal Prior Authorization Tool:** www.phs.org/mypres
- **Prior Authorization Check Tool:** <https://prescoverage.phs.org/ac/>
- **Prior Authorization Guide:** www.phs.org/providers/authorizations

Providers must submit prior authorizations requests as the resources above/on the previous page indicate.

For guidance on how to navigate the prior authorization tools on the provider portal, providers can view the myPRES Prior Authorization User Manual at www.phs.org/providermanual. If providers have any questions or need assistance, then they should contact their Provider Network Operations relationship executive.

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