

Clinical Utilization Management Guidelines

Attached is a list of the *Clinical UM Guidelines* the health plan has adopted.

The full list of *Medical Policies* and *Clinical Utilization Management (UM) Guidelines* are publicly available on the [Medical Policy and Clinical UM Guideline subsidiary website](#). Their purpose is to help you provide quality care by reducing inappropriate use of medical resources.

InterQual® Criteria or MCG Care Guidelines are used for:

- Medical necessity review for medical and behavioral health inpatient review.
- Inpatient site of service appropriateness.
- Inpatient rehabilitation and skilled nursing facility review.
- Outpatient based service or procedure where there is not an established *Medical Policy* or *Clinical UM Guideline*.

In addition, American Society of Addiction Medicine® criteria is used for substance use services according to state requirements.

Medicaid state contracts, regulatory guidance, CMS requirements and our *Medical Policy/Clinical UM Guidelines* supersede MCG Care Guidelines and InterQual Criteria.

Note: We make determinations of medical necessity on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the definition of medical necessity that is contained within the Medicaid state contract, regulatory guidance, CMS requirements or in our *Medical Necessity Criteria Policy ADMIN.00004*.

If the request doesn't meet established criteria guidelines, it will be referred to a licensed physician reviewer with the appropriate clinical expertise to make a decision.

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The new *Clinical Utilization Management (UM) Guidelines* below were adopted by the Medical Operations Committee for our members on September 24, 2020. These guidelines take effect 30 days from posting. Note, not all of the services and codes referenced within these guidelines are reimbursed under Medicaid or CHIP. Please refer to Medicaid/CHIP guidelines for coverage and reimbursement information.

To view a guideline, visit https://medicalpolicies.amerigroup.com/am_search.html.

Clinical UM Guideline #	Clinical UM Guideline title	New item
CG-ADMIN-01	<i>Clinical Utilization Management (UM) Guideline for Pre-Payment Review Medical Necessity Determinations When No Other Clinical UM Guideline Exists</i>	
CG-ANC-06	<i>Ambulance Services: Ground; Nonemergent</i>	
CG-ANC-08	<i>Mobile Device-Based Health Management Applications</i>	
CG-BEH-01	<i>Assessment for Autism Spectrum Disorders and Rett Syndrome</i>	
CG-BEH-15	<i>Activity Therapy for Autism Spectrum Disorders and Rett Syndrome</i>	
CG-DME-03	<i>Neuromuscular Stimulation in the Treatment of Muscle Atrophy</i>	
CG-DME-04	<i>Electrical Nerve Stimulation, Transcutaneous, Percutaneous</i>	
CG-DME-05	<i>Cervical Traction Devices for Home Use</i>	
CG-DME-06	<i>Pneumatic Compression Devices for Lymphedema</i>	
CG-DME-08	<i>Infant Home Apnea Monitors</i>	
CG-DME-15	<i>Hospital Beds and Accessories</i>	
CG-DME-30	<i>Prothrombin Time Self-Monitoring Devices</i>	
CG-DME-35	<i>Electric Breast Pumps</i>	
CG-DME-36	<i>Pediatric Gait Trainers</i>	
CG-DME-39	<i>Dynamic Low-Load Prolonged-Duration Stretch Devices</i>	
CG-DME-41	<i>Ultraviolet Light Therapy Delivery Devices for Home Use</i>	
CG-DME-42	<i>Nonimplantable Insulin Infusion and Blood Glucose Monitoring Devices</i>	
CG-DME-44	<i>Electric Tumor Treatment Field (TTF)</i>	
CG-DME-45	<i>Ultrasound Bone Growth Stimulation</i>	
CG-DME-46	<i>Pneumatic Compression Devices for Prevention of Deep Vein Thrombosis of the Extremities in the Home Setting</i>	

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CG-GENE-01	<i>Janus Kinase 2, CALR and MPL Gene Mutation Assays</i>	
CG-GENE-02	<i>Analysis of RAS Status</i>	
CG-GENE-04	<i>Molecular Marker Evaluation of Thyroid Nodules</i>	
CG-GENE-05	<i>Genetic Testing for DMD Mutations (Duchenne or Becker Muscular Dystrophy)</i>	
CG-GENE-07	<i>BCR-ABL Mutation Analysis</i>	
CG-GENE-08	<i>Genetic Testing for PTEN Hamartoma Tumor Syndrome</i>	
CG-GENE-09	<i>Genetic Testing for CHARGE Syndrome</i>	
CG-GENE-10	<i>Chromosomal Microarray Analysis (CMA) for Developmental Delay, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Intellectual Disability (Intellectual Developmental Disorder) and Congenital Anomalies</i>	
CG-GENE-11	<i>Genotype Testing for Individual Genetic Polymorphisms to Determine Drug-Metabolizer Status</i>	
CG-GENE-12	<i>PIK3CA Mutation Testing for Malignant Conditions</i>	
CG-GENE-13	<i>Genetic Testing for Inherited Diseases</i>	
CG-GENE-14	<i>Gene Mutation Testing for Solid Tumor Cancer Susceptibility and Management</i>	
CG-GENE-15	<i>Genetic Testing for Lynch Syndrome, Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP), Attenuated FAP and MYH-associated Polyposis</i>	
CG-GENE-16	<i>BRCA Testing for Breast and/or Ovarian Cancer Syndrome</i>	
CG-GENE-17	<i>RET Proto-oncogene Testing for Endocrine Gland Cancer Susceptibility</i>	
CG-GENE-18	<i>Genetic Testing for TP53 Mutations</i>	
CG-GENE-19	<i>Detection and Quantification of Tumor DNA Using Next Generation Sequencing in Lymphoid Cancers</i>	
CG-GENE-20	<i>Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor (EGFR) Testing</i>	
CG-LAB-03	<i>Tropism Testing for HIV Management</i>	
CG-LAB-09	<i>Drug Testing or Screening in the Context of Substance Use Disorder and Chronic Pain</i>	
CG-LAB-10	<i>Zika Virus Testing</i>	
CG-LAB-11	<i>Screening for Vitamin D Deficiency in Average Risk Individuals</i>	
CG-LAB-12	<i>Testing for Oral and Esophageal Cancer</i>	
CG-LAB-13	<i>Skin Nerve Fiber Density Testing</i>	
CG-LAB-14	<i>Respiratory Viral Panel Testing in the Outpatient Setting</i>	
CG-MED-02	<i>Esophageal pH Monitoring</i>	
CG-MED-05	<i>Ketogenic Diet for Treatment of Intractable Seizures</i>	
CG-MED-08	<i>Home Enteral Nutrition</i>	
CG-MED-24	<i>Electromyography and Nerve Conduction Studies</i>	
CG-MED-26	<i>Neonatal Levels of Care</i>	
CG-MED-28	<i>Iontophoresis for Medical Indications</i>	

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CG-MED-34	<i>Monitored Anesthesia Care for Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Procedures</i>	
CG-MED-35	<i>Retinal Telescreening Systems</i>	
CG-MED-37	<i>Intensive Programs for Pediatric Feeding Disorders</i>	
CG-MED-39	<i>Bone Mineral Density Testing Measurement</i>	
CG-MED-40	<i>External Ambulatory Event Monitors to Detect Cardiac Arrhythmias</i>	
CG-MED-41	<i>Moderate to Deep Anesthesia Services for Dental Surgery in the Facility Setting</i>	
CG-MED-44	<i>Holter Monitors</i>	
CG-MED-45	<i>Transrectal Ultrasonography</i>	
CG-MED-46	<i>Electroencephalography and Video Electroencephalographic Monitoring</i>	
CG-MED-47	<i>Fundus Photography</i>	
CG-MED-48	<i>Scrotal Ultrasound</i>	
CG-MED-49	<i>Auditory Brainstem Responses (ABRs) and Evoked Otoacoustic Emissions (OAEs) for Hearing Disorders</i>	
CG-MED-50	<i>Visual, Somatosensory and Motor Evoked Potentials</i>	
CG-MED-51	<i>Three-Dimensional (3-D) Rendering of Imaging Studies</i>	
CG-MED-52	<i>Allergy Immunotherapy (Subcutaneous)</i>	
CG-MED-55	<i>Site of Care: Advanced Radiologic Imaging</i>	
CG-MED-56	<i>Non-Obstetrical Transvaginal Ultrasonography</i>	
CG-MED-57	<i>Cardiac Stress Testing with Electrocardiogram</i>	
CG-MED-59	<i>Upper Gastrointestinal Endoscopy in Adults</i>	
CG-MED-61	<i>Preoperative Testing for Low Risk Invasive Procedures and Surgeries</i>	
CG-MED-62	<i>Resting Electrocardiogram Screening in Adults</i>	
CG-MED-63	<i>Treatment of Hyperhidrosis</i>	
CG-MED-64	<i>Transcatheter Ablation of Arrhythmogenic Foci in the Pulmonary Veins as a Treatment of Atrial Fibrillation or Atrial Flutter (Radiofrequency and Cryoablation)</i>	
CG-MED-65	<i>Manipulation Under Anesthesia</i>	
CG-MED-66	<i>Cryopreservation of Oocytes or Ovarian Tissue</i>	
CG-MED-67	<i>Melanoma Vaccines</i>	
CG-MED-68	<i>Therapeutic Apheresis</i>	
CG-MED-69	<i>Inhaled Nitric Oxide</i>	
CG-MED-70	<i>Wireless Capsule Endoscopy for Gastrointestinal Imagine and the Patency Capsule</i>	
CG-MED-72	<i>Hyperthermia for Cancer Therapy</i>	
CG-MED-73	<i>Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (Systemic/Topical)</i>	
CG-MED-74	<i>Implantable Ambulatory Event Monitors and Mobile Cardiac Telemetry</i>	

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CG-MED-75	<i>Medical and Other Non-Behavioral Health Related Treatments for Autism Spectrum Disorders and Rett Syndrome</i>	
CG-MED-76	<i>Magnetic Source Imaging and Magnetoencephalography</i>	
CG-MED-77	<i>SPECT/CT Fusion Imaging</i>	
CG-MED-78	<i>Anesthesia Services for Interventional Pain Management Procedures</i>	
CG-MED-81	<i>High Intensity Focused Ultrasound (HIFU) for Oncologic Indications</i>	
CG-MED-82	<i>Intravenous versus Oral Drug Administration in the Outpatient and Home Setting</i>	
CG-MED-83	<i>Site of Care: Specialty Pharmaceuticals</i>	
CG-MED-85	<i>Posterior Segment Optical Coherence Tomography</i>	
CG-MED-86	<i>Enhanced External Counterpulsation in the Outpatient Setting</i>	
CG-MED-87	<i>Single Photon Emission Computed Tomography Scans for Noncardiovascular Indications</i>	
CG-MED-88	<i>Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis Testing</i>	
CG-OR-PR-02	<i>Prefabricated and Prophylactic Knee Braces</i>	
CG-OR-PR-06	<i>Spinal Orthoses: Thoracic-Lumber-Sacral (TLSO), Lumber-Sacral (LSO), and Lumber</i>	
CG-REHAB-02	<i>Outpatient Cardiac Rehabilitation</i>	
CG-REHAB-03	<i>Pulmonary Rehabilitation</i>	
CG-REHAB-07	<i>Skilled Nursing and Skilled Rehabilitation Services (Outpatient)</i>	
CG-REHAB-10	<i>Level of Care: Outpatient Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech-Language Pathology Services</i>	
CG-REHAB-11	<i>Cognitive Rehabilitation</i>	
CG-SURG-03	<i>Blepharoplasty, Blepharoptosis Repair and Brow Lift</i>	
CG-SURG-05	<i>Maze Procedure</i>	
CG-SURG-07	<i>Vertical Expandable Prosthetic Titanium Rib</i>	
CG-SURG-08	<i>Sacral Nerve Stimulation as a Treatment of Neurogenic Bladder Secondary to Spinal Cord Injury</i>	
CG-SURG-09	<i>Temporomandibular Disorders</i>	
CG-SURG-11	<i>Surgical Treatment for Dupuytren's Contracture</i>	
CG-SURG-12	<i>Penile Prosthesis Implantation</i>	
CG-SURG-15	<i>Endometrial Ablation</i>	
CG-SURG-17	<i>Trigger Point Injections</i>	
CG-SURG-18	<i>Septoplasty</i>	
CG-SURG-24	<i>Functional Endoscopic Sinus Surgery (FESS)</i>	
CG-SURG-25	<i>Injection Treatment for Morton's Neuroma</i>	
CG-SURG-28	<i>Transcatheter Uterine Artery Embolization</i>	
CG-SURG-29	<i>Lumbar Discography</i>	

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CG-SURG-30	<i>Tonsillectomy for Children with or without Adenoidectomy</i>	
CG-SURG-31	<i>Treatment of Keloids and Scar Revision</i>	
CG-SURG-34	<i>Diagnostic Infertility Surgery</i>	
CG-SURG-35	<i>Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection (ICSI)</i>	
CG-SURG-36	<i>Adenoidectomy</i>	
CG-SURG-37	<i>Destruction of Pre-Malignant Skin Lesions</i>	
CG-SURG-40	<i>Cataract Removal Surgery for Adults</i>	
CG-SURG-41	<i>Surgical Strabismus Correction</i>	
CG-SURG-46	<i>Myringotomy and Tympanostomy Tube Insertion</i>	
CG-SURG-49	<i>Endovascular Techniques (Percutaneous or Open Exposure) for Arterial Revascularization of the Lower Extremities</i>	
CG-SURG-50	<i>Assistant Surgeons</i>	
CG-SURG-51	<i>Outpatient Cystourethroscopy</i>	
CG-SURG-52	<i>Site of Care: Hospital-Based Ambulatory Surgical Procedures and Endoscopic Services</i>	
CG-SURG-55	<i>Intracardiac Electrophysiological Studies (EPS) and Catheter Ablation</i>	
CG-SURG-56	<i>Diagnostic Fiberoptic Flexible Laryngoscopy</i>	
CG-SURG-57	<i>Diagnostic Nasal Endoscopy</i>	
CG-SURG-58	<i>Radioactive Seed Localization of Nonpalpable Breast Lesions</i>	
CG-SURG-59	<i>Vena Cava Filters</i>	
CG-SURG-61	<i>Cryosurgical or Radiofrequency Ablation to Treat Solid Tumors Outside the Liver</i>	
CG-SURG-63	<i>Cardiac Resynchronization Therapy with or without an Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator for the Treatment of Heart Failure</i>	
CG-SURG-72	<i>Endothelial Keratoplasty</i>	
CG-SURG-73	<i>Balloon Sinus Ostial Dilation</i>	
CG-SURG-74	<i>Total Ankle Replacement</i>	
CG-SURG-75	<i>Transanal Endoscopic Microsurgical (TEM) Excision of Rectal Lesions</i>	
CG-SURG-76	<i>Carotid, Vertebral and Intracranial Artery Stent Placement with or without Angioplasty</i>	
CG-SURG-77	<i>Refractive Surgery</i>	
CG-SURG-78	<i>Locoregional and Surgical Techniques for Treating Primary and Metastatic Liver Malignancies</i>	
CG-SURG-79	<i>Implantable Infusion Pumps</i>	
CG-SURG-81	<i>Cochlear Implants and Auditory Brainstem Implants</i>	
CG-SURG-82	<i>Bone-Anchored and Bone Conduction Hearing Aids</i>	
CG-SURG-84	<i>Mandibular/Maxillary (Orthognathic) Surgery</i>	
CG-SURG-85	<i>Hip Resurfacing</i>	

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CG-SURG-86	<i>Endovascular/Endoluminal Repair of Aortic Aneurysms, Aortoiliac Disease, Aortic Dissection and Aortic Transection</i>	
CG-SURG-87	<i>Nasal Surgery for the Treatment of Obstructive Sleep Apnea and Snoring</i>	
CG-SURG-88	<i>Mastectomy for Gynecomastia</i>	
CG-SURG-89	<i>Radiofrequency Neurolysis and Pulsed Radiofrequency Therapy for Trigeminal Neuralgia</i>	
CG-SURG-90	<i>Mohs Micrographic Surgery</i>	
CG-SURG-91	<i>Minimally Invasive Ablative Procedures for Epilepsy</i>	
CG-SURG-92	<i>Paraesophageal Hernia Repair</i>	
CG-SURG-93	<i>Angiographic Evaluation and Endovascular Intervention for Dialysis Access Circuit Dysfunction</i>	
CG-SURG-94	<i>Keratoprosthesis</i>	
CG-SURG-96	<i>Intraocular Telescope</i>	
CG-SURG-97	<i>Cardioverter Defibrillators</i>	
CG-SURG-98	<i>Prostate Biopsy using MRI Fusion Techniques</i>	
CG-SURG-99	<i>Panniculectomy and Abdominoplasty</i>	
CG-SURG-100	<i>Laser Trabeculoplasty and Laser Peripheral Iridotomy</i>	
CG-SURG-101	<i>Ablative Techniques as a Treatment for Barrett's Esophagus</i>	
CG-SURG-102	<i>Alcohol Septal Ablation for Treatment of Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy</i>	
CG-SURG-103	<i>Male Circumcision</i>	
CG-SURG-104	<i>Intraoperative Neurophysiological Monitoring</i>	
CG-SURG-105	<i>Corneal Collagen Cross-Linking</i>	
CG-SURG-106	<i>Venous Angioplasty with or without Stent Placement or Venous Stenting Alone</i>	
CG-SURG-107	<i>Surgical and Minimally Invasive Treatments for Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH)</i>	
CG-SURG-108	<i>Stereotactic Radiofrequency Pallidotomy</i>	
CG-THER-RAD-07	<i>Intravascular Brachytherapy (Coronary and Non-Coronary)</i>	
CG-TRANS-02	<i>Kidney Transplantation</i>	
CG-TRANS-03	<i>Donor Lymphocyte Infusion for Hematologic Malignancies after Allogeneic Hematopoietic Progenitor Cell Transplantation</i>	