

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Georgia Medical Policy and Clinical Guideline Updates 1/1/2019

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The Medical Policy and Technology Assessment Committee adopted the attached (see PDF) new and/or revised Medical Policies and Clinical Guidelines. Some may have expanded rationales, medical necessity indications or criteria and some may involve changes to policy position statements that might result in services that previously were covered being found to be either not medically necessary or investigational/not medically necessary. Clinical Guidelines adopted by Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield and all the Medical Policies are available at the Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield website (Choose Providers > Medical Policies). Please note our medical policies now include NOC (Not Otherwise Classified) codes to expedite the process of determining services that may require medical review. If you don't have access to the Internet, you may request a hard copy of a specific Medical or Behavioral Health Policy or Clinical UM Guideline by calling Provider Services at (800) 241-7475 Monday–Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. or send written requests (specifying medical policy or guideline of interest, your name and address to where information should be sent) to:

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Attention: Prior Approval, Mail Code GAG009-0002
3350 Peachtree Road NE
Atlanta, GA 30326

NOTE: Any Clinical Guideline included in this standard MPTAC notification is only effective for GA if included on the GA Standard Adopted Clinical Guideline List unless there is a group-specific review requirement in which case it will be considered 'Adopted' for that group only and for the specific type of review required. Additionally, as part of the Pre-Payment Review Program for commercial or Federal Employee Health Benefits Program (FEHBP) plans, Clinical Guidelines approved by Medical Policy and Technology Assessment Committee (MPTAC) but not included in the GA Standard Adopted Clinical Guideline List may be used to review a provider's claims when a provider's billing practices are not consistent with other providers in terms of frequency or in some other manner or for provider education and are "Adopted" for

those purposes.

See attached PDF titled "GA Medical Policy and Clinical Guideline Updates 1/1/2019".

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