

Transition to AIM Rehabilitative Services Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines*

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Effective October 1, 2020, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Anthem) will transition the clinical criteria for medical necessity review of certain rehabilitative services to AIM Rehabilitative Service Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines as part of the AIM Rehabilitation Program. Reviewed services will include certain physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy services.

As part of this transition of clinical criteria, the following procedures will be subject to prior authorization as part of the AIM Rehabilitation program:

| CPT code | Description |
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| 90912 | Biofeedback training for bowel or bladder control, initial 15 minutes |
| 90913 | Biofeedback training for bowel or bladder control, additional 15 minutes |
| 96001 | Three-dimensional, video-taped, computer-based gait analysis during walking |
| 0552T | Low-level laser therapy, dynamic photonic and dynamic thermokinetic energies, provided by a physician or other qualified health care professional |
| S8940 | Therapeutic horseback riding, per session |
| S8948 | Treatment with low level laser (phototherapy) each 15 minutes |
| S9090 | Vertebral axial decompression (lumbar traction), per session |
| 20560 | Needle insertion(s) without injection(s), 1 or 2 muscle(s) |
| 20561 | Needle insertion(s) without injection(s), 3 or more muscle(s) |
| 90901 | Biofeedback training by any modality (when done for medically necessary indications) |
| 97129 | One-on-one therapeutic interventions focused on thought processing and strategies to manage activities |
| 97130 | each additional 15 minutes (list separately in addition to code for primary procedure) |
| 92630 | Hearing training and therapy for hearing loss prior to learning to speak |
| 92633 | Hearing training and therapy for hearing loss after speech |

The following procedure will be removed from the program:

| CPT code | Description |
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| S9117 | back school, per visit |

As a reminder, ordering and servicing providers may submit prior authorization requests to AIM in one of several ways:

- Access AIM's **ProviderPortal**_{SM} directly at providerportal.com. Online access is available 24/7 to process orders in real-time, and is the fastest and most convenient way to request authorization.
- Access AIM via the Availity Web Portal at availity.com
- Call the AIM Contact Center toll-free number: 800-554-0580, Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–7:00 p.m. ET.

For questions related to guidelines, please contact AIM via email at aim.guidelines@aimspecialtyhealth.com. Additionally, you may access and download a copy of the current and upcoming guidelines [here](#).

* Material Changes/Amendments to Contract and Changes to Prior Authorization Requirements may apply for new or updated reimbursement policies, medical policies, or prior authorization requirements

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