

## Updates to AIM Advanced Imaging of the Heart Clinical Appropriateness Guideline

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Effective for dates of service on and after March 14, 2021, the following updates will apply to the AIM Specialty Health<sup>®\*</sup> Advanced Imaging of the Heart Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines.

### Evaluation of patients with cardiac arrhythmias:

- Updated repeat TTE criteria.
- Added restrictions for patients whose initial echocardiogram shows no evidence of structural heart disease, and follow-up echocardiography is not appropriate for ongoing management of arrhythmia.

### Evaluation of signs, symptoms or abnormal testing:

- Added restrictions for TTE in evaluation of palpitation and lightheadedness based on literature.

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

- Access AIM's ProviderPortal<sup>SM</sup> directly at [providerportal.com](https://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 Portal\* at [availity.com](https://availity.com).
- Call the AIM Contact Center toll-free number at 1-800-714-0040 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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

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