

## **Updates to AIM Specialty Health Cardiac Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines**

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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® (AIM) Advanced Imaging of the Heart and Diagnostic Coronary Angiography Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines.

### **Evaluation of patients with cardiac arrhythmias:**

- Updated repeat transthoracic echocardiography (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

### **Diagnostic coronary angiography:**

- Updated criteria to evaluate patients with suspected congenital coronary artery anomalies

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

- Access AIM's ProviderPortal<sub>SM</sub> directly at <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 <https://www.availity.com>. Call the AIM Contact Center toll free at 800-714-0040 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

For 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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