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June 2019 medical policies and clinical utilization management guidelines update

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The *Medical Policies* and *Clinical Utilization Management (UM) Guidelines* below were developed or revised to support clinical coding edits. Several policies and guidelines were revised to provide clarification only and are not included. Existing precertification requirements have not changed. **Please note:** The *Medical Policies* and *Clinical UM Guidelines* below are followed in the absence of Medicare guidance.

Please share this notice with other members of your practice and office staff.

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Notes/updates

Updates marked with an asterisk (*) denote that the criteria may be perceived as more restrictive:

- * DME.00037 — added devices that combine cooling and vibration to the investigational and not medically necessary statement
- * LAB.00027 — added Mediator Release Test to investigational and not medically necessary statement
- * LAB.00033 — clarified investigational and not medically necessary statement to include 4Kscore and AR-V7
- * OR-PR.00003:
 - Clarified medically necessary position statement criteria 2 through 4
 - Added statement that use of prosthetic devices that combine both a microprocessor controlled knee and foot-ankle prosthesis is considered investigational and not medically necessary for all indications
- * SURG.00011:
 - Added new medically necessary and investigational and not medically necessary statements addressing amniotic membrane-derived products for conjunctival and corneal indications, including KeraSys and Prokera
 - Added new products to investigational and not medically necessary statement
- * SURG.00045:

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- Added erectile dysfunction, Peyronie’s disease and wound repair to the investigational and not medically necessary statement
 - Revised title
- * SURG.00121 — added investigational and not medically necessary statement to address use of transcatheter tricuspid valve repair or replacement for all indications

- The following AIM Specialty Health® updates were approved on June 6, 2019:
 - Advanced imaging:
 - Imaging of the heart
 - Oncologic imaging
 - Vascular imaging
 - Proton beam therapy
 - Rehabilitative therapies — physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy (new)

To view all the updates select the Medical Policies and Clinical Utilization Guidelines attachment.

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