

Medicare Advantage plans

Medical policy and criteria

MEDICAL POLICY UPDATE

Premera Blue Cross Medicare Advantage reviews all medical policies and criteria annually. The Premera Medicare Advantage [Policies and Prior Authorization Resources page](#) has been updated. You can access this page from the Medicare Advantage provider website at premera.com/wa/provider/medicare-advantage/. Simply click on *View medical and pharmacy policy updates* located on the right side of the [Medicare Advantage provider landing page](#).

PART B DRUGS PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

Effective December 5, 2022, the following part B drug requires prior authorization.

Code	Description
J3590	Hemgenix® (etranacogene dezaparvovec-drlb)

Effective January 1, 2023, the following part B drug requires prior authorization.

Code	Description
J3590	Tzield™ (teplizumab-mzwv)

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION UPDATE EFFECTIVE MARCH 5, 2023

Effective March 5, 2023, we will be removing a number of codes from the prior authorization list. Please ensure you're using the most current prior authorization list before you submit your requests. The list of removed codes will be in the revision history table at the end of the prior authorization list by March 5, 2023.

AIM UPDATES EFFECTIVE APRIL 9, 2023

Updates to AIM Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines

Effective for dates of service on and after April 9, 2023, the following updates will apply to the AIM Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines. Part of the AIM guideline annual review process, these updates are focused on advancing efforts to drive clinically appropriate, safe, and affordable health care services.

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Updated Guidelines

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 - Interventional Pain Management
- Radiation Oncology
 - Radiation Therapy
- Radiology
 - Abdomen and Pelvis Imaging
 - Brain Imaging
 - Chest Imaging
 - Head and Neck Imaging
 - Oncologic Imaging
- Cardiology
 - Cardiac Imaging

For questions related to guidelines, please email AIM at aim.guidelines@aimspecialtyhealth.com. You can access and download copies of current and upcoming guidelines [here](#).