

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 <u>Policies and Prior Authorization Resources page</u> has been updated. You can access this page from the Medicare Advantage provider website at <u>premera.com/wa/provider/medicare-advantage/</u>. Simply click on *View medical and pharmacy policy updates* located on the right side of the <u>Medicare Advantage provider landing page.</u>

AIM UPDATES EFFECTIVE JUNE 12, 2022

AIM is updating some of their radiology Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines effective for dates of service on and after June 12, 2022. The new guideline updates will help to make it easier to obtain authorizations in specific clinical scenarios.

Further changes will go into effect September 11, 2022. Updates are part of the AIM guideline annual review process, and focus on advancing efforts to drive clinically appropriate, safe, and affordable health care services.

Updated Radiology Guidelines:

- Spine Imaging
- Extremity Imaging
- Vascular Imaging

For questions related to guidelines, please contact AIM via email at aim.guidelines@aimspecialtyhealth.com. You may also access a copy of the current and upcoming guidelines here.

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