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## This month's 90-day notices and related reminders

We regularly review and adjust our clinical, payment and coding policies. Review our policies and claim edits on our provider portal on Availity®.\* Just go to **Payer Space > Resources > Expanded Claim Edits**. Or you may visit [Aetna.com](https://www.aetna.com) to see them.



### Changes to our National Precertification List (NPL)

These changes apply to our commercial and Medicare members.

Effective May 1, 2024, we'll require precertification for the following (commercial and Medicare plans):

- Spinal fusion surgery (27278)

Effective August 1, 2024, the [Site of Care for Specialty Drug Administration policy](#) applies to the following drugs (commercial plans only):

- Adcetris (brentuximab vedotin) (J9042)

From the somatostatin category:

- Sandostatin LAR Depot (octreotide acetate) (J2353)
- Somatuline Depot (lanreotide) (J1930)

From the HER2 receptor targeted drugs category:

- Perjeta (pertuzumab) (J9306)
- Herceptin (trastuzumab) (J9355)
- Ontruzant (trastuzumab-dttb) (Q5112)
- Herzuma (trastuzumab-pkrb) (Q5113)
- Ogivri (trastuzumab-dkst) (Q5114)
- Trazimera (trastuzumab-qyyp) (Q5116)
- Kanjinti (trastuzumab-anns) (Q5117)
- Kadcyla (ado-trastuzumab emtansine) (J9354)

From the immunologic agents category:

- Rituxan (rituximab) (J9312)
- Truxima (rituximab-abbs) (Q5115)
- Ruxience (rituximab-pvvr) (Q5119)
- Riabni (rituximab-arrx) (Q5123)

#### Submitting precertification requests

Be sure to submit precertification requests at least two weeks in advance. To save time, request precertification online. Doing so is fast, secure and simple.

You can submit most requests online through our [provider portal on Availity](#).\* Or you can use your practice's Electronic Medical Record (EMR) system if it's set up for electronic precertification requests. Use our "Search by CPT® code" search function on our [Precertification Lists](#) page to find out if the code requires [precertification](#)\*\*.

If you need precertification for a specialty drug for a commercial or Medicare member, submit your request through Novologix®, also available on Availity®.



### Cologuard testing update

This change applies to our commercial and Medicare members.

Effective June 1, 2024, CPT® code 81528, Cologuard Testing, may be reimbursed only to the proprietary lab Exact Sciences.\*\*

Note to Washington State providers: Your effective date for changes described in this article will be communicated following regulatory review.



## You can always find this information on our provider portal on Availity.\*

You can also use our Code Edit Lookup tools on Availity®. Just go to **Payer Space > Applications > Code Edit Lookup Tools**. And keep your Aetna provider ID number handy to access them.

[Availity portal](#)

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