Re: Please Register to be Included in Our New Genetic and Molecular Lab Testing Notification/Prior Authorization Program

Dear Laboratory:

We are committed to supporting improved health outcomes and maintaining the overall affordability of health care services for the consumers, care providers and health plan sponsors we serve. Working toward that goal, we believe it is important to work together to manage the appropriate use of certain genetic and molecular lab tests, as utilization of these outpatient laboratory services grows. Starting Nov. 1, 2017, a new online notification/prior authorization process will be implemented for genetic and molecular lab tests for UnitedHealthcare Commercial benefit plan members.

What This Means For You
Beacon Laboratory Benefit Solutions, Inc. (BeaconLBS), a lab services management company working on behalf of UnitedHealthcare, will register participating labs for the program and manage the online notification/prior authorization request system. We encourage all labs participating in UnitedHealthcare’s network to register.

BeaconLBS has created a streamlined prior authorization process for care providers that will leverage UnitedHealthcare’s clinical policy requirements for all coverage determinations.

How the Process Works
Ordering care providers will initiate prior authorization through BeaconLBS when ordering tests such as BRCA1/2, Hereditary Cancer Panels and Pharmacogenetic Panels:

- Tier 1 Molecular Pathology Procedures
- Tier 2 Molecular Pathology Procedures
- Genomic Sequencing Procedures
- Multianalyte Assays with Algorithmic Analyses that include Molecular Pathology Testing
- These CPT® codes:
  - 0001U
  - 0004M - 0008M
  - 81161 - 81421
  - 81423 - 81479
  - 81507
  - 81519
  - 81545 – 81599
The ordering care provider will specify the test name and select the testing laboratory. To give ordering care providers the ability to select your laboratory for genetic and molecular tests when the requirement starts on Nov. 1, you need to register with BeaconLBS by Sept. 15.

**How to Register**
You can start your registration online or over the phone:
- **Online**: Go to BeaconLBS.com > Login > Lab Login.
- **Phone**: Call BeaconLBS at 800-377-8809.

After Nov. 1, 2017, payments will only be authorized* for those genetic and molecular tests performed by labs registered with BeaconLBS as part of the Genetic and Molecular Lab Testing Notification/Prior Authorization program. BeaconLBS will need the following information to complete your registration for all applicable testing to support accurate and timely prior authorization and claims payment:
- The test name, unique test identifier, all associated CPT codes and units billed
- Your National Provider Identifier (NPI) and Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) number
- A valid email address for your lab

**For More Information**
We’ll have training and more information on the program available at UHCprovider.com > Prior Authorization and Notification 30 days before the program’s effective date.

Contact BeaconLBS at 800-377-8809 for information about:
- Registering your lab and tests for the program
- Mapping your tests
- Using the online prior authorization/notification portal

If you have other questions, please email us at unitedoncology@uhc.com. Thank you.

Sincerely,

/s/
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*If payment is denied, billing the member for the difference is not allowed. See the Care Provider Administrative Guide for more information on balance billing: UHCprovider.com/guides.