



STATE OF OKLAHOMA
OKLAHOMA HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

OHCA 2017-24

July 31, 2017

RE: Prior Authorization for Molecular Pathology CPT Codes – Effective September 1, 2017

Dear Provider:

Beginning September 1, 2017, the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) will require prior authorization (PA) for the following molecular pathology Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes:

- 81400 - Molecular pathology procedure, Level 1 (e.g., identification of single germline variant [e.g., SNP] by techniques such as restriction enzyme digestion or melt curve analysis)
- 81401 - Molecular pathology procedure, Level 2 (e.g., 2-10 SNPs, 1 methylated variant, or 1 somatic variant [typically using nonsequencing target variant analysis], or detection of a dynamic mutation disorder/triplet repeat)
- 81402 - Molecular pathology procedure, Level 3 (e.g., >10 SNPs, 2-10 methylated variants, or 2-10 somatic variants [typically using non-sequencing target variant analysis], immunoglobulin and T-cell receptor gene rearrangements, duplication/deletion variants 1 exon)
- 81403 - Molecular pathology procedure, Level 4 (e.g., analysis of single exon by DNA sequence analysis, analysis of >10 amplicons using multiplex PCR in 2 or more independent reactions, mutation scanning or duplication/deletion variants of 2-5 exons)
- 81404 - Molecular pathology procedure, Level 5 (e.g., analysis of 2-5 exons by DNA sequence analysis, mutation scanning or duplication/deletion variants of 6-10 exons, or characterization of a dynamic mutation disorder/triplet repeat by Southern blot analysis)
- 81405 - Molecular pathology procedure, Level 6 (e.g., analysis of 6-10 exons by DNA sequence analysis, mutation scanning or duplication/deletion variants of 11-25 exons)
- 81406 - Molecular pathology procedure, Level 7 (e.g., analysis of 11-25 exons by DNA sequence analysis, mutation scanning or duplication/deletion variants of 26-50 exons, cytogenomic array analysis for neoplasia)
- 81407 - Molecular pathology procedure, Level 8 (e.g., analysis of 26-50 exons by DNA sequence analysis, mutation scanning or duplication/deletion variants of >50 exons, sequence analysis of multiple genes on one platform)
- 81408 - Molecular pathology procedure, Level 9 (e.g., analysis of >50 exons in a single gene by DNA sequence analysis)
- 81479 - Unlisted molecular pathology procedure
- 81599 - Unlisted multianalyte assay with algorithmic analysis

Please note that unlisted codes 81479 and 81599 may be used for many tests that lack specific CPT codes. As such, manual pricing will still be required for these tests, and an attachment will need to be submitted along with the claim, even if a PA has been obtained.

Please remember that when testing for more than one gene in a single test, the OHCA considers it appropriate to bill the single code reflective of the test being performed. Billing multiple codes when multiple genes are examined as part of a single test is not appropriate and will not be approved.

The OHCA requires the submission of all of the following documents for prior authorization review:

- HCA-13A Prior Authorization Form Cover Sheet
- HCA-12A Prior Authorization Form

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



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GOVERNOR

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- Objective clinical records supporting the medical necessity of the request

If you have any questions regarding PA forms and documentation, please contact the OHCA's Medical Authorization Unit at 1-800-522-0114.

If you have questions regarding OHCA's coverage of molecular pathology CPT codes, please contact Alison Martinez, Ph.D. at alison.martinez@okhca.org or visit our [Genetic Testing](#) page.

Thank you for the services you provide to our SoonerCare and Insure Oklahoma members.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rebecca Pasternik-Ikard".

Rebecca Pasternik-Ikard
Chief Executive Officer