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SoonerSelect Medical Contracted Entity (CE) Requests to Change Service Provisions

The SoonerSelect Medical Contract at Section 1.7: Covered Benefits and Section 1.8: Medical Management states that medical contracted entities (CEs) may not impose prior authorization guidelines/criteria or utilization management practices that are more restrictive than OHCA without OHCA prior approval.

On September 5, 2025, Aetna Better Health of Oklahoma (ABHOK) submitted a formal request to OHCA for review and approval to change service provisions.

OHCA subject matter experts (SMEs) reviewed the requests, evaluating them in comparison to OHCA historical processes and practices, standard business practice in other markets, and available data to determine whether to approve the requests.

OHCA decisions are noted in the table below:

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| Anesthesia for Pain Management | | | | |
| <p>20526 – Therapeutic injection into the carpal tunnel</p> <p>20550 – Injections into a tendon sheath, ligament, or joint</p> <p>20551 – Injecting a therapeutic substance into a single tendon origin or insertion</p> <p>20552 – Trigger point injections in one or two muscles</p> <p>20553 – Trigger point injections administered into three or more muscles</p> | OHCA's current protocol allows for separate reimbursement for CPT code 99152 and the pain management procedures. | Aetna Better Health of Oklahoma is seeking approval to treat anesthesia as incidental when billed with certain pain management codes. Charges for anesthesia CPT code 99152 should be denied as incidental. | Some impact to Members and Providers as anesthesia will be denied as incidental when billed with certain codes. | <p>Approved 9/24/2025</p> <p><i>Item will be presented at the November 2025, MAC meeting</i></p> |

Presented at the 11/6/2025 Medical Advisory Committee meeting

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| <p>20600 – Arthrocentesis involving injection into a small joint or bursa without ultrasound guidance</p> <p>20605 – Arthrocentesis involving injection into an intermediate joint or bursa without ultrasound guidance</p> <p>20610 – Arthrocentesis involving injection into a major joint or bursa</p> <p>27096 – Sacroiliac joint injections</p> <p>36468 – Injection of a sclerosing solution for the treatment of spider veins</p> <p>36470-36479 – Sclerotherapy/ablation and spider or incompetent vein treatments</p> <p>62263 – Percutaneous lysis of epidural adhesions for chronic pain</p> <p>62264 - Percutaneous lysis of epidural adhesions in an outpatient setting</p> <p>62273 – Injection of blood or clot patch into the epidural space</p> | | | | |

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| <p>62280 – Injection or infusion of a neurolytic substance into the subarachnoid space of the spinal column</p> <p>62281 – Injection or infusion of a neurolytic substance in the space at the cervical or thoracic level</p> <p>62282 – Injection or infusion of a neurolytic substance in the lumbar or sacral epidural space</p> <p>62320-62327 – Injection of diagnostic or therapeutic substances into the cervical or thoracic spine with or without imaging guidance</p> <p>62367 – Electronic analysis of a programmable, implanted pump for intrathecal or epidural drug infusion</p> <p>62368 - Electronic analysis of a programmable, implanted pump for intrathecal or epidural drug infusion, including reprogramming the pump</p> | | | | |

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| <p>64402 – Injection of an anesthetic agent into the facial nerve</p> <p>64405 – Injection of anesthetic and/or steroid agents into the greater occipital nerve</p> <p>64417 – Injection of anesthetic agents and/or steroids into the axillary nerve</p> <p>64418 – Injection of an anesthetic agent into the branches of the trigeminal nerve</p> <p>64420 – Injection of anesthetic agents into the intercostal nerve at a single level</p> <p>64421 – Injection of anesthetic agents and/or steroids into the intercostal nerves</p> <p>64425 – Injection of anesthetic agents and/or steroids into the ilioinguinal and iliohypogastric nerves</p> <p>64430 – Injection of an anesthetic agent into the pudendal nerve</p> <p>64435 – Injection of an anesthetic agents or steroids into the paracervical nerve</p> <p>64447 – Injection of anesthetic agents and/or steroids into the femoral nerve</p> | | | | |

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| <p>64448 – Injection of anesthetic agents into the femoral nerve for pain relief</p> <p>64450 – Suprascapular nerve block</p> <p>64483 – Lumbar epidural injections for single level injections with image guidance</p> <p>64484 – Injection of anesthetic agents and/or steroids via a transforaminal epidural approach</p> <p>64490-64495 – Injection of a diagnostic or therapeutic agent into the paravertebral facet joint at the cervical or thoracic level</p> <p>64620 – Destruction by neurolytic agent of the intercostal nerve</p> <p>64633-64636 – Neurolytic destruction of the nerves innervating the T12-L1 paravertebral facet joint</p> <p>64640 – Destruction of peripheral nerves</p> <p>0213T – Injection of a diagnostic or therapeutic agent into a paravertebral facet joint or the associated spinal nerves in the</p> | | | | |

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| <p>cervical or thoracic regions performed under ultrasound guidance</p> <p>0214T – Injection of a diagnostic or therapeutic agent into the paravertebral facet joint or nerves innervating that joint, using ultrasound guidance</p> <p>0215T – Injection of a diagnostic or therapeutic agent into the paravertebral facet joint or nerves innervating that joint, to alleviate pain or administer anesthetics</p> <p>0216T – Injection of a diagnostic or therapeutic agent into the paravertebral facet joint</p> <p>0217T – Injection procedure where a diagnostic or therapeutic agent is injected into an additional lumbar or sacral paravertebral facet joint under ultrasound guidance</p> <p>0218T – Injection of a diagnostic or therapeutic agent into the paravertebral facet joints or the nerves that innervate</p> | | | | |

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| <p>those joints at the lumbar or sacral levels using ultrasound guidance</p> <p>0228T – Injection of an anesthetic agent and/or steroid into the cervical or thoracic foramen under ultrasound guidance</p> <p>0229T – Injection of anesthetic agents and/or steroids into the cervical or thoracic foramina with ultrasound guidance after the primary procedure</p> <p>0230T – Transforaminal epidural injection at a single level in the lumbar or sacral region, performed under ultrasound guidance</p> <p>0231T – Injection of an anesthetic agent and/or steroid into the transforaminal epidural space in the lumbar or sacral region with ultrasound guidance</p> | | | | |