



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 October 16, 2025, Aetna Better Health of Oklahoma 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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PROCEDURE CODES IMPACTED	PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO CLAIMS PROCESSING PROTOCOL	REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE	ANTICIPATED IMPACT	OHCA DECISION
No Prior Authorization Requirements for Certain HCPCS Codes				
33981 – Procedure of replacing Ventricular Assist Device (VAD) pumps external components	Aetna Better Health of Oklahoma is requesting to not add these codes to their Prior Authorization list.	Aetna Better Health of Oklahoma is aligning with other CE's.	Members and providers should not experience any negative impact from this change. No potential cost savings noted.	Approved 11/19/2025 <i>Item will be presented at the November 2025, MAC meeting</i>
33982 – Replacement of a Ventricular Assist Device (VAD) pump in a single ventricle setting without the use of cardiopulmonary bypass				*Note previously OHCA approved Humana's request to not require PA codes for Q0507 and Q0508.
33983 – Replacement of a Ventricular Assist				

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<p>Device (VAD) pump in a single ventricle setting under cardiopulmonary bypass</p> <p>33990 – Insertion of a percutaneous Ventricular Assist Device (VAD) into the heart's arterial system</p> <p>33991 – Percutaneous insertion of a Ventricular Assist Device (VAD) in both the heart's arterial and venous system</p> <p>33993 – Miscellaneous supply or accessory for use with an external Ventricular Assist Device (VAD)</p> <p>Q0507 – Misc supply or accessory for use with external Ventricular Assist Device (VAD).</p> <p>Q0508 – Misc supply or accessory for use with an implanted Ventricular Assist Device (VAD).</p>				