Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Prior Authorization Requirement Change to Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor (EGFR) Testing

On May 1, 2017, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield prior authorization (PA) requirement will change for Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor (EGFR) Testing. Federal and state law, as well as state contract language and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services guidelines, including definitions and specific contract provisions/exclusions, take precedence over these prior authorization rules and must be considered first when determining coverage.

Non-compliance with new requirements may result in denied claims. PA requirement will be added to the following code:

- 81235 – EGFR (epidermal growth factor receptor) (e.g. non-small cell lung cancer) gene analysis, common variants (e.g. exon 19 LREA deletion, L858R, T790M, G719A, G719S, L861Q)

Not all prior authorization requirements are listed here. Detailed prior authorization requirements are available to contracted providers by accessing the “Provider Self-Service Tool” within Availity. Non-contracted providers should contact the Health Plan.

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