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Genetic Testing – Payment Policy

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Covered Service: See policy criteria

Prior Authorization Required: Yes - refer to the genetic medical policies for prior authorization requirements.

Additional Information: Please see the Member Certificate or Summary Plan Description for services available for coverage. Refer to genetic medical policies for coverage limitations and medically necessary criteria.

WellFirst Health Medical Policy:

- 1.0 This payment policy addresses genetic and molecular testing services and applies to codes billed from the following sections in the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®)/Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCs) Manual:
 - 1.1 Molecular Pathology
 - 1.2 Genomic Sequencing Procedures and Other Molecular Multianalyte Assays
 - 1.3 Multianalyte Assays with Algorithmic Analyses
 - 1.4 Proprietary Lab Analysis (PLA) codes
- 2.0 All providers billing for genetic and molecular testing services must bill according to the following requirements (or services may be denied):
 - 2.1 Bill for the test performed as indicated on the test requisition form
 - 2.2 If a test qualifies for panel code(s), the panel code must be used
 - 2.3 If a panel code is not appropriate (or when medical policy exclusively covers components of panels), a limited number of individual components from multi-gene tests may be billed
 - 2.4 Codes are determined based on the attributes of the testing performed, not based on the clinical indication of the member
 - 2.5 Coding must be consistent with AMA coding guidelines, as interpreted by the Concert Genetics coding engine
 - 2.6 Include ordering provider information on all claim transactions or the services may be denied

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- 3.0 All laboratories billing for genetic and molecular testing services must register using the Concert Genetics portal. Please visit the Concert Genetics site ([Landing Page](#)) to:
 - 3.1 Verify accuracy of test catalog and review coding engine standards for each test covered by this policy
 - 3.2 Complete a brief quality profile

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