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Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Cardiac

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Policy¹

Commercial Members: Managed Care (HMO and POS), PPO, and Indemnity

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Cardiac is considered [MEDICALLY NECESSARY](#) for the following conditions:

Coronary artery disease

Patients who have had a myocardial infarction

- To assess viability of the infarcted myocardium utilizing delayed hyperenhancement (contrast studies) when other studies (myocardial perfusion imaging or stress echocardiography) have yielded equivocal or indeterminate results; **OR**
- To assess LV function post myocardial infarction when there is discordant information from other studies or when other studies are technically suboptimal; **OR**
- To assess mitral valve regurgitation post-myocardial infarction when echocardiography is technically suboptimal; **OR**
- To assess ventricular septal defects post-myocardial infarction when echocardiography is technically suboptimal; **OR**
- To delineate pericardial effusions associated with acute myocardial infarction when echocardiography is technically suboptimal

Patients with suspected coronary artery disease

- For evaluation of patients with suspected congenital coronary anomalies

Myocarditis

- For the evaluation of patients with suspected myocarditis; **OR**
- For follow-up evaluation LV function of patients with an established diagnosis of myocarditis whose transthoracic echocardiogram is technically suboptimal

Cardiomyopathy

- To assess LV function in symptomatic patients with suspected or established cardiomyopathy when there is discordant information from other studies or when other studies are technically suboptimal; **OR**
- Annual evaluation for suspected cardiomyopathy in clinically stable patients with an established diagnosis of a chronic and progressive disease (excluding CAD) which may result in cardiomyopathy when echocardiography fails to exclude cardiomyopathy. This guideline applies to infiltrative cardiomyopathies (e.g. sarcoidosis; amyloidosis; hemochromatosis), hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy (HOCM) and non-compaction cardiomyopathy; **OR**
- Annual study to quantify cardiac iron load in patients with chronic diseases requiring frequent blood transfusion (e.g., thalassemia); **OR**
- Evaluation of patients with suspected arrhythmogenic right ventricular dysplasia; **OR**
- For coronary vein mapping in patients with cardiomyopathy for whom cardiac resynchronization therapy (CRT) is planned

Cardiac aneurysm or pseudoaneurysm

Congenital heart disease

- For evaluation of suspected congenital anomalies of the coronary arteries; **OR**
- For evaluation of suspected or established congenital heart disease in patients whose echocardiogram is technically limited or nondiagnostic; **OR**
- For further evaluation of patients whose echocardiogram suggests a new diagnosis of complex congenital heart disease; **OR**
- For evaluation of complex congenital heart disease in patients who are less than one year post-surgical correction; **OR**
- For evaluation of complex congenital heart disease in patients who have new or worsening symptoms and/or a change in physical examination; **OR**
- To assist in surgical planning for patients with complex congenital heart disease; **OR**
- For surveillance in asymptomatic patients with complex congenital heart disease who have not had cardiac MRI or cardiac CT within the preceding year

Valvular heart disease

- Following inconclusive echocardiography or when echocardiography is not feasible; **OR**
- When moderate or severe valvular disease diagnosed using other imaging modalities requires further definition and that information is likely to affect subsequent management of the patient

- To assess valvular lesions and measure regurgitant volume, regurgitant fraction, ejection fraction and ventricular volumes
- To help determine the timing for valvular surgery

Intra-cardiac and para-cardiac masses and tumors

- In patients with a suspected cardiac or para-cardiac mass (thrombus, tumor, etc.) suggested by transthoracic echocardiography, transesophageal echocardiography, blood pool imaging or contrast ventriculography who have not undergone cardiac MRI or cardiac CT within the preceding 60 days; **OR**
- In patients with established cardiac or para-cardiac mass (thrombus, tumor, etc.) who are clinically unstable; **OR**
- In patients with established cardiac or para-cardiac mass (thrombus, tumor, etc.) who are clinically stable and have not undergone cardiac MRI or cardiac CT within the preceding year; **OR**
- In patients with established cardiac or para-cardiac mass (thrombus, tumor, etc.) who have undergone treatment (chemotherapy, radiation therapy, thrombolysis, anticoagulation or surgery) within the preceding year and have not had cardiac MRI or cardiac CT within the preceding 60 days

Evaluation of cardiac venous anatomy

- For localization of the pulmonary veins in patients with chronic or paroxysmal atrial fibrillation/flutter who are being considered for ablation; **OR**
- Coronary venous localization prior to implantation of a biventricular pacemaker

Evaluation of pericardial conditions (pericardial effusion, constrictive pericarditis, or congenital pericardial diseases)

- In patients with suspected pericardial constriction; **OR**
- In patients with suspected congenital pericardial disease; **OR**
- In patients with suspected pericardial effusion (including hemopericardium) who have undergone echocardiography deemed to be technically suboptimal in evaluation of the effusion; **OR**
- In patients whose echocardiogram shows a complex pericardial effusion (loculated, containing solid material)

Evaluation of the thoracic aorta

- In patients with suspected thoracic aortic aneurysm / dilation who have not undergone CT or MRI of the thoracic aorta within the preceding 60 days; **OR**
- In patients with confirmed thoracic aortic aneurysm / dilation with new or worsening signs/symptoms; **OR**
- For ongoing surveillance of stable patients with confirmed thoracic aortic aneurysm / dilation who have not undergone imaging of the thoracic aorta within the preceding six months; **OR**
- In patients with suspected aortic dissection; **OR**
- In patients with confirmed aortic dissection who have new or worsening symptoms; **OR**
- In patients with confirmed aortic dissection in whom surgical repair is anticipated (to assist in pre-operative planning); **OR**
- For ongoing surveillance of stable patients with confirmed aortic dissection who have not undergone imaging of the thoracic aorta within the preceding year; **OR**
- In patients with confirmed aortic dissection or thoracic aortic aneurysm / dilation who have undergone surgical repair within the preceding year and have not undergone imaging of the thoracic aorta within the preceding six months; **OR**
- In patients who have sustained blunt chest trauma, penetrating aortic trauma or iatrogenic trauma as a result of aortic instrumentation; **OR**
- In patients being evaluated for potential transcatheter aortic valve implantation/replacement (TAVI or TAVR) provided that the patient has not undergone cardiac CT or cardiac MRI within the preceding 60 days

Prior Authorization Information

Inpatient

- For services described in this policy, precertification/preauthorization **IS REQUIRED** for all products if the procedure is performed **inpatient**.

Outpatient

- For services described in this policy, see below for products where prior authorization **might be required** if the procedure is performed **outpatient**.

	Outpatient
Commercial Managed Care (HMO and POS)	The requirements of BCBSMA Radiology Management Program may require a precertification/prior authorization via AIM Specialty Health. These requirements are member-specific:
Commercial PPO and EPO	<p>Please verify member eligibility and requirements through Online Services by logging onto Provider Central. Refer to our Quick Tip for an overview of precertification and prior authorization requirements.</p> <p>Ordering clinicians should request pre-certification from AIM Specialty Health or call 1-866-745-1783 (when applicable).</p> <p>Prior authorization information for Medicare HMO Blue and Medicare PPO Blue is addressed in medical policy #923, High Technology Radiology and Sleep Disorder Management for Medicare Advantage Products.</p>
Indemnity	Prior authorization is not required.

CPT Codes / HCPCS Codes / ICD Codes

Inclusion or exclusion of a code does not constitute or imply member coverage or provider reimbursement. Please refer to the member's contract benefits in effect at the time of service to determine coverage or non-coverage as it applies to an individual member.

Providers should report all services using the most up-to-date industry-standard procedure, revenue, and diagnosis codes, including modifiers where applicable.

The following codes are included below for informational purposes only; this is not an all-inclusive list.

The above medical necessity criteria MUST be met for the following codes to be covered for Commercial Members: Managed Care (HMO and POS), PPO, and Indemnity:

CPT Codes

CPT codes:	Code Description
75557	Cardiac MRI for morphology and function, without contrast material
75559	Cardiac MRI for morphology and function, without contrast material, with stress imaging
75561	Cardiac MRI for morphology and function, without contrast material, followed by contrast material
75563	Cardiac MRI for morphology and function, without contrast material, followed by contrast material with stress imaging
75565	This code is an add-on code to be used in conjunction with 75557, 75559, 75561 and 75563. As such, this code does not require separate review

The following ICD Diagnosis Codes are considered medically necessary when submitted with the CPT codes above if medical necessity criteria are met:

ICD-10 Diagnosis code	Description
B33.22	Viral myocarditis
C38.0	Malignant neoplasm of heart
C38.1	Malignant neoplasm of anterior mediastinum
C38.2	Malignant neoplasm of posterior mediastinum
C38.3	Malignant neoplasm of mediastinum, part unspecified
C38.4	Malignant neoplasm of pleura
C38.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of heart, mediastinum and pleura
C78.1	Secondary malignant neoplasm of mediastinum
C79.89	Secondary malignant neoplasm of other specified sites
D15.1	Benign neoplasm of heart
D56.0	Alpha thalassemia
D56.1	Beta thalassemia
D56.8	Other thalassemias
D56.9	Thalassemia, unspecified
D57.1	Sickle-cell disease without crisis
D57.40	Sickle-cell thalassemia without crisis
D86.0	Sarcoidosis of lung
D86.85	Sarcoid myocarditis
D86.89	Sarcoidosis of other sites
D86.9	Sarcoidosis, unspecified
E83.110	Hemochromatosis, unspecified
E83.118	Other hemochromatosis
E83.119	Hemochromatosis, unspecified
E85.4	Organ-limited amyloidosis
E85.9	Amyloidosis, unspecified
G71.00	Muscular dystrophy, unspecified
G71.01	Duchenne or Becker muscular dystrophy
G71.02	Facioscapulohumeral muscular dystrophy
G71.09	Other specified muscular dystrophies
G81.90	Hemiplegia, unspecified affecting unspecified side
G81.91	Hemiplegia, unspecified affecting right dominant side
G81.92	Hemiplegia, unspecified affecting left dominant side
G81.93	Hemiplegia, unspecified affecting right nondominant side
G81.94	Hemiplegia, unspecified affecting left nondominant side
H53.9	Unspecified visual disturbance
I05.0	Rheumatic mitral stenosis
I05.1	Rheumatic mitral insufficiency
I05.2	Rheumatic mitral stenosis with insufficiency
I05.8	Other rheumatic mitral valve diseases
I05.9	Rheumatic mitral valve disease, unspecified

I07.0	Rheumatic tricuspid stenosis
I07.1	Rheumatic tricuspid insufficiency
I07.2	Rheumatic tricuspid stenosis and insufficiency
I07.8	Other rheumatic tricuspid valve diseases
I07.9	Rheumatic tricuspid valve disease, unspecified
I08.0	Rheumatic disorders of both mitral and aortic valves
I08.1	Rheumatic disorders of both mitral and tricuspid valves
I08.2	Rheumatic disorders of both aortic and tricuspid valves
I08.3	Combined rheumatic disorders of mitral, aortic and tricuspid valves
I08.8	Other rheumatic multiple valve diseases
I08.9	Rheumatic multiple valve disease, unspecified
I09.0	Rheumatic myocarditis
I09.1	Rheumatic diseases of endocardium, valve unspecified
I10	Essential (primary) hypertension
I11.0	Hypertensive heart disease with heart failure
I11.9	Hypertensive heart disease without heart failure
I16.0	Hypertensive urgency
I16.1	Hypertensive emergency
I16.9	Hypertensive crisis, unspecified
I20.0	Unstable angina
I20.1	Angina pectoris with documented spasm
I20.8	Other forms of angina pectoris
I20.9	Angina pectoris, unspecified
I21.01	ST elevation (STEMI) myocardial infarction involving left main coronary artery
I21.02	ST elevation (STEMI) myocardial infarction involving left anterior descending coronary artery
I21.09	ST elevation (STEMI) myocardial infarction involving other coronary artery of anterior wall
I21.11	ST elevation (STEMI) myocardial infarction involving right coronary artery
I21.19	ST elevation (STEMI) myocardial infarction involving other coronary artery of inferior wall
I21.21	ST elevation (STEMI) myocardial infarction involving left circumflex coronary artery
I21.29	ST elevation (STEMI) myocardial infarction involving other sites
I21.3	ST elevation (STEMI) myocardial infarction of unspecified site
I21.4	Non-ST elevation (NSTEMI) myocardial infarction
I21.9	Acute myocardial infarction, unspecified
I21.A1	Myocardial infarction type 2
I21.A9	Other myocardial infarction type
I24.0	Acute coronary thrombosis not resulting in myocardial infarction
I24.1	Dressler's syndrome
I24.8	Other forms of acute ischemic heart disease
I24.9	Acute ischemic heart disease, unspecified
I25.10	Atherosclerotic heart disease of native coronary artery without angina pectoris
I25.110	Atherosclerotic heart disease of native coronary artery with unstable angina pectoris
I25.111	Atherosclerotic heart disease of native coronary artery with angina pectoris with documented spasm

I25.118	Atherosclerotic heart disease of native coronary artery with other forms of angina pectoris
I25.119	Atherosclerotic heart disease of native coronary artery with unspecified angina pectoris
I25.2	Old myocardial infarction
I25.3	Aneurysm of heart
I25.41	Coronary artery aneurysm
I25.5	Ischemic cardiomyopathy
I26.99	Other pulmonary embolism without acute cor pulmonale
I27.0	Primary pulmonary hypertension
I27.1	Kyphoscoliotic heart disease
I27.20	Pulmonary hypertension, unspecified
I27.21	Secondary pulmonary arterial hypertension
I27.22	Pulmonary hypertension due to left heart disease
I27.23	Pulmonary hypertension due to lung diseases and hypoxia
I27.24	Chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension
I27.29	Other secondary pulmonary hypertension
I27.81	Cor pulmonale (chronic)
I27.82	Chronic pulmonary embolism
I27.83	Eisenmenger's syndrome
I27.89	Other specified pulmonary heart diseases
I27.9	Pulmonary heart disease, unspecified
I28.1	Aneurysm of pulmonary artery
I28.8	Other diseases of pulmonary vessels
I28.9	Disease of pulmonary vessels, unspecified
I30.0	Acute nonspecific idiopathic pericarditis
I30.1	Infective pericarditis
I30.8	Other forms of acute pericarditis
I30.9	Acute pericarditis, unspecified
I31.0	Chronic adhesive pericarditis
I31.1	Chronic constrictive pericarditis
I31.2	Hemopericardium, not elsewhere classified
I31.3	Pericardial effusion (noninflammatory)
I31.4	Cardiac tamponade
I31.8	Other specified diseases of pericardium
I31.9	Disease of pericardium, unspecified
I33.0	Acute and subacute infective endocarditis
I33.9	Acute and subacute endocarditis, unspecified
I34.0	Nonrheumatic mitral (valve) insufficiency
I34.1	Nonrheumatic mitral (valve) prolapse
I34.2	Nonrheumatic mitral (valve) stenosis
I34.8	Other nonrheumatic mitral valve disorders
I34.9	Nonrheumatic mitral valve disorder, unspecified
I35.0	Nonrheumatic aortic (valve) stenosis
I35.1	Nonrheumatic aortic (valve) insufficiency

I35.2	Nonrheumatic aortic (valve) stenosis with insufficiency
I35.8	Other nonrheumatic aortic valve disorders
I35.9	Nonrheumatic aortic valve disorder, unspecified
I36.0	Nonrheumatic tricuspid (valve) stenosis
I36.1	Nonrheumatic tricuspid (valve) insufficiency
I36.2	Nonrheumatic tricuspid (valve) stenosis with insufficiency
I36.8	Other nonrheumatic tricuspid valve disorders
I36.9	Nonrheumatic tricuspid valve disorder, unspecified
I37.0	Nonrheumatic pulmonary valve stenosis
I37.1	Nonrheumatic pulmonary valve insufficiency
I37.2	Nonrheumatic pulmonary valve stenosis with insufficiency
I37.8	Other nonrheumatic pulmonary valve disorders
I37.9	Nonrheumatic pulmonary valve disorder, unspecified
I38	Endocarditis, valve unspecified
I40.0	Infective myocarditis
I40.1	Isolated myocarditis
I40.8	Other acute myocarditis
I40.9	Acute myocarditis, unspecified
I42.0	Dilated cardiomyopathy
I42.1	Obstructive hypertrophic cardiomyopathy
I42.2	Other hypertrophic cardiomyopathy
I42.3	Endomyocardial (eosinophilic) disease
I42.4	Endocardial fibroelastosis
I42.5	Other restrictive cardiomyopathy
I42.6	Alcoholic cardiomyopathy
I42.7	Cardiomyopathy due to drug and external agent
I42.8	Other cardiomyopathies
I42.9	Cardiomyopathy, unspecified
I43	Cardiomyopathy in diseases classified elsewhere
I44.0	Atrioventricular block, first degree
I44.1	Atrioventricular block, second degree
I44.2	Atrioventricular block, complete
I44.30	Unspecified atrioventricular block
I44.39	Other atrioventricular block
I44.4	Left anterior fascicular block
I44.5	Left posterior fascicular block
I44.60	Unspecified fascicular block
I44.69	Other fascicular block
I44.7	Left bundle-branch block, unspecified
I45.0	Right fascicular block
I45.10	Unspecified right bundle-branch block
I45.19	Other right bundle-branch block
I45.2	Bifascicular block

I45.3	Trifascicular block
I45.4	Nonspecific intraventricular block
I45.5	Other specified heart block
I45.6	Pre-excitation syndrome
I45.81	Long QT syndrome
I45.89	Other specified conduction disorders
I45.9	Conduction disorder, unspecified
I46.2	Cardiac arrest due to underlying cardiac condition
I46.8	Cardiac arrest due to other underlying condition
I46.9	Cardiac arrest, cause unspecified
I47.0	Re-entry ventricular arrhythmia
I47.1	Supraventricular tachycardia
I47.2	Ventricular tachycardia
I47.9	Paroxysmal tachycardia, unspecified
I48.0	Paroxysmal atrial fibrillation
I48.1	Persistent atrial fibrillation
I48.2	Chronic atrial fibrillation
I48.91	Unspecified atrial fibrillation
I48.92	Unspecified atrial flutter
I49.01	Ventricular fibrillation
I49.02	Ventricular flutter
I49.1	Atrial premature depolarization
I49.2	Junctional premature depolarization
I49.3	Ventricular premature depolarization
I49.40	Unspecified premature depolarization
I49.49	Other premature depolarization
I49.5	Sick sinus syndrome
I49.8	Other specified cardiac arrhythmias
I49.9	Cardiac arrhythmia, unspecified
I50.1	Left ventricular failure, unspecified
I50.20	Unspecified systolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.21	Acute systolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.22	Chronic systolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.23	Acute on chronic systolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.30	Unspecified diastolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.31	Acute diastolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.32	Chronic diastolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.33	Acute on chronic diastolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.40	Unspecified combined systolic (congestive) and diastolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.41	Acute combined systolic (congestive) and diastolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.42	Chronic combined systolic (congestive) and diastolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.43	Acute on chronic combined systolic (congestive) and diastolic (congestive) heart failure
I50.9	Heart failure, unspecified

I51.0	Cardiac septal defect, acquired
I51.1	Rupture of chordae tendineae, not elsewhere classified
I51.2	Rupture of papillary muscle, not elsewhere classified
I51.3	Intracardiac thrombosis, not elsewhere classified
I51.4	Myocarditis, unspecified
I51.5	Myocardial degeneration
I51.7	Cardiomegaly
I51.81	Takotsubo syndrome
I51.89	Other ill-defined heart diseases
I51.9	Heart disease, unspecified
I70.0	Atherosclerosis of aorta
I71.00	Dissection of unspecified site of aorta
I71.01	Dissection of thoracic aorta
I71.03	Dissection of thoracoabdominal aorta
I71.1	Thoracic aortic aneurysm, ruptured
I71.2	Thoracic aortic aneurysm, without rupture
I71.8	Aortic aneurysm of unspecified site, ruptured
I71.9	Aortic aneurysm of unspecified site, without rupture
I72.9	Aneurysm of unspecified site
I77.3	Arterial fibromuscular dysplasia
I77.810	Thoracic aortic ectasia
I77.819	Aortic ectasia, unspecified site
I77.89	Other specified disorders of arteries and arterioles
I77.9	Disorder of arteries and arterioles, unspecified
I82.90	Acute embolism and thrombosis of unspecified vein
I82.91	Chronic embolism and thrombosis of unspecified vein
I95.0	Idiopathic hypotension
I95.1	Orthostatic hypotension
I95.2	Hypotension due to drugs
I95.3	Hypotension of hemodialysis
I95.81	Postprocedural hypotension
I95.89	Other hypotension
I95.9	Hypotension, unspecified
I97.110	Postprocedural cardiac insufficiency following cardiac surgery
I97.89	Other postprocedural complications and disorders of the circulatory system, not elsewhere classified
M25.511	Pain in right shoulder
M25.512	Pain in left shoulder
M25.519	Pain in unspecified shoulder
M31.4	Aortic arch syndrome [Takayasu]
M31.5	Giant cell arteritis with polymyalgia rheumatica
M31.6	Other giant cell arteritis
M54.9	Dorsalgia, unspecified

M79.621	Pain in right upper arm
M79.622	Pain in left upper arm
M79.629	Pain in unspecified upper arm
Q20.0	Common arterial trunk
Q20.1	Double outlet right ventricle
Q20.3	Discordant ventriculoarterial connection
Q20.4	Double inlet ventricle
Q20.5	Discordant atrioventricular connection
Q20.9	Congenital malformation of cardiac chambers and connections, unspecified
Q21.0	Ventricular septal defect
Q21.1	Atrial septal defect
Q21.2	Atrioventricular septal defect
Q21.3	Tetralogy of Fallot
Q22.0	Pulmonary valve atresia
Q22.1	Congenital pulmonary valve stenosis
Q22.3	Other congenital malformations of pulmonary valve
Q22.4	Congenital tricuspid stenosis
Q22.5	Ebstein's anomaly
Q22.9	Congenital malformation of tricuspid valve, unspecified
Q23.0	Congenital stenosis of aortic valve
Q23.1	Congenital insufficiency of aortic valve
Q23.2	Congenital mitral stenosis
Q23.3	Congenital mitral insufficiency
Q23.4	Hypoplastic left heart syndrome
Q23.8	Other congenital malformations of aortic and mitral valves
Q23.9	Congenital malformation of aortic and mitral valves, unspecified
Q24.0	Dextrocardia
Q24.3	Pulmonary infundibular stenosis
Q24.4	Congenital subaortic stenosis
Q24.5	Malformation of coronary vessels
Q24.8	Other specified congenital malformations of heart
Q24.9	Congenital malformation of heart, unspecified
Q25.0	Patent ductus arteriosus
Q25.1	Coarctation of aorta
Q25.21	Interruption of aortic arch
Q25.29	Other atresia of aorta
Q25.40	Congenital malformation of aorta unspecified
Q25.41	Absence and aplasia of aorta
Q25.42	Hypoplasia of aorta
Q25.43	Congenital aneurysm of aorta
Q25.44	Congenital dilation of aorta
Q25.45	Double aortic arch
Q25.46	Tortuous aortic arch

Q25.47	Right aortic arch
Q25.48	Anomalous origin of subclavian artery
Q25.49	Other congenital malformations of aorta
Q25.5	Atresia of pulmonary artery
Q25.6	Stenosis of pulmonary artery
Q25.8	Other congenital malformations of other great arteries
Q26.3	Partial anomalous pulmonary venous connection
Q33.6	Congenital hypoplasia and dysplasia of lung
Q40.0	Congenital hypertrophic pyloric stenosis
Q67.6	Pectus excavatum
Q79.6	Ehlers-Danlos syndrome
Q87.40	Marfan's syndrome, unspecified
Q87.410	Marfan's syndrome with aortic dilation
Q87.418	Marfan's syndrome with other cardiovascular manifestations
Q87.42	Marfan's syndrome with ocular manifestations
Q87.43	Marfan's syndrome with skeletal manifestation
Q87.82	Arterial tortuosity syndrome
Q96.9	Turner's syndrome, unspecified
R00.0	Tachycardia, unspecified
R00.1	Bradycardia, unspecified
R00.2	Palpitations
R01.1	Cardiac murmur, unspecified
R03.1	Nonspecific low blood-pressure reading
R06.00	Dyspnea, unspecified
R06.02	Shortness of breath
R06.03	Acute respiratory distress
R06.09	Other forms of dyspnea
R06.89	Other abnormalities of breathing
R06.9	Unspecified abnormalities of breathing
R07.1	Chest pain on breathing
R07.89	Other chest pain
R07.9	Chest pain, unspecified
R10.84	Generalized abdominal pain
R10.9	Unspecified abdominal pain
R42	Dizziness and giddiness
R47.9	Unspecified speech disturbances
R49.0	Dysphonia
R53.1	Weakness
R53.83	Other fatigue
R55	Syncope and collapse
R60.0	Localized edema
R61	Generalized hyperhidrosis
R93.1	Abnormal findings on diagnostic imaging of heart and coronary circulation

R93.89	Abnormal findings on diagnostic imaging of other specified body structures
R94.30	Abnormal result of cardiovascular function study, unspecified
R94.39	Abnormal result of other cardiovascular function study
Z01.810	Encounter for preprocedural cardiovascular examination
Z82.49	Family history of ischemic heart disease and other diseases of the circulatory system
Z87.74	Personal history of (corrected) congenital malformations of heart and circulatory system
Z95.2	Presence of prosthetic heart valve

Policy History

Date	Action
1/2019	Medically necessary indications revised. Effective 1/27/2019. AIM Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines: Advanced Imaging: Cardiac Imaging. Effective Date: January 27, 2019
10/2018	Clarified coding information.
1/2018	Prior authorization information for Medicare HMO Blue and Medicare PPO Blue removed. Prior authorization information for Medicare HMO Blue and Medicare PPO Blue is addressed in medical policy #923, High Technology Radiology and Sleep Disorder Management for Medicare Advantage Products .
10/2017	Clarified coding information.
5/2017	Prior Authorization Information clarified.
2/2017	Coding considerations table updated. Adopted AIM Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines: Advanced Imaging: Cardiac Imaging. Effective Date: February 20, 2017.
10/2016	Clarified coding information.
7/2016	New medical policy describing medically necessary indications. Effective 7/1/2016. Adopted AIM Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines: Advanced Imaging: Cardiac Imaging. Effective Date: March 1, 2016.

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References

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Endnotes

¹ Based on AIM Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines: Advanced Imaging: Cardiac Imaging.