Beginning January 1, 2019, your doctor will need to get authorization from us before we'll cover certain genetic tests. This helps us make sure that you're getting the right test and that it's covered by your health plan.

We'll require prior authorization for these genetic testing categories:

- Prenatal screening and diagnosis of specific conditions
- Genetic/DNA testing of hereditary cancer risks
- Testing to detect DNA changes associated with specific diseases or conditions
- DNA sequencing
- Pharmaceutical testing to identify medicine and dosing requirements
- Genetic/DNA testing of hereditary heart disease risks
- Genetic/DNA testing of tumor cells

To learn more about these procedures, visit ahealthyme.com®.

Understanding Genetic Testing

Genetic tests can help determine if you're at risk for developing a disease or if a specific treatment will be effective for an existing condition. It’s often helpful to have genetic counseling along with genetic testing, so you can better understand how the test results may be useful.

About Prior Authorization

Your doctor is responsible for submitting requests for prior authorization. To avoid being held financially responsible, make sure your doctor gets authorization from us before you get a genetic test.

Questions?

If you have any questions, call the Member Service number on the front of your ID card.