

# UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Indiana Medical Policy Update Bulletin Quick View: August 2024



A list of recently approved, revised, and/or retired Medical Policies and/or Medical Benefit Drug Policies is provided below for your reference. **For a comprehensive summary of the latest updates, refer to the [Medical Policy Update Bulletin: August 2024](#).**

## Medical Policy Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Ablative Treatment for Spinal Pain (for Indiana Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2024
Discogenic Pain Treatment (for Indiana Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2024
Durable Medical Equipment, Orthotics, Medical Supplies, and Repairs/Replacements (for Indiana Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2024
Electrical Stimulation for the Treatment of Pain and Muscle Rehabilitation (for Indiana Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2024
Electrical Stimulation for Wounds (for Indiana Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2024
Electromagnetic Therapy for Wounds (for Indiana Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2024
Intrauterine Fetal Surgery (for Indiana Only)	New	Sep. 1, 2024
Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery Procedures (for Indiana Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2024
Noncontact Warming Therapy, Ultrasound Therapy, and Fluorescence Imaging for Wounds (for Indiana Only)	Retired	Aug. 1, 2024
Occipital Nerve Injections and Ablation (Including Occipital Neuralgia and Headache) (for Indiana Only)	Revised	Oct. 1, 2024
Prostate Surgeries and Interventions (for Indiana Only)	Updated	Oct. 1, 2024
Umbilical Cord Blood Harvesting and Storage for Future Use (for Indiana Only)	New	Sep. 1, 2024

## Medical Benefit Drug Policy Updates

Policy Title	Status	Effective Date
Intracanalicular and Intravitreal Corticosteroid Implants (for Indiana Only)	Updated	Aug. 1, 2024
Qalsody® (Tofersen) (for Indiana Only)	Revised	Sep. 1, 2024

## General Information

The inclusion of a health service (e.g., test, drug, device, or procedure) in this bulletin indicates only that UnitedHealthcare is adopting a new policy and/or updated, revised, replaced, or retired an existing policy; it does not imply that UnitedHealthcare provides coverage for the health service. Note that most benefit plan documents exclude from benefit coverage health services identified as investigational or unproven/not medically necessary. Physicians and other health care professionals may not seek or collect payment from a member for services not covered by the applicable benefit plan unless first obtaining the member's written consent, acknowledging that the service is not covered by the benefit plan and that they will be billed directly for the service.

**Note:** The absence of a policy does not automatically indicate or imply coverage. As always, coverage for a health service must be determined in accordance with the member's benefit plan and any applicable federal or state regulatory requirements. Additionally, UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to review the clinical evidence supporting the safety and effectiveness of a medical technology prior to rendering a coverage determination.

UnitedHealthcare respects the expertise of the physicians, health care professionals, and their staff who participate in our network. Our goal is to support you and your patients in making the most informed decisions regarding the choice of quality and cost-effective care, and to support practice staff with a simple and predictable administrative experience. The Medical Policy Update Bulletin was developed to share important information regarding changes to our Community Plan of Indiana Medical Policies and Medical Benefit Drug Policies. When information in this bulletin conflicts with applicable state and/or federal law, UnitedHealthcare follows such applicable federal and/or state law.

## Policy Update Classifications

### *New*

New clinical coverage criteria have been adopted for a health service (e.g., test, drug, device, or procedure)

### *Updated*

An existing policy has been reviewed and changes have not been made to the clinical coverage criteria; however, items such as the clinical evidence, FDA information, and/or list(s) of applicable codes may have been updated

### *Revised*

An existing policy has been reviewed and revisions have been made to the clinical coverage criteria

### *Replaced*

An existing policy has been replaced with a new or different policy

### *Retired*

The health service(s) addressed in the policy are no longer being managed or are considered to be proven/medically necessary and are therefore not excluded as unproven/not medically necessary services, unless coverage guidelines or criteria are otherwise documented in another policy



The complete library of Medical Policies and Medical Benefit Drug Policies for UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Indiana is available at [UHCprovider.com/IN](https://UHCprovider.com/IN) > Medicaid (Community Plan) > Current Policies and Clinical Guidelines > [Medical & Drug Policies](#).