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Blue Cross commercial Category: Authorizations/referrals

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AIM to ask for clinical information for Blue Cross commercial radiology and cardiology prior authorization requests

Starting in the third quarter of 2022, AIM Specialty Health® may ask for clinical information for prior authorization requests submitted for Blue Cross commercial members for the following services:

- All outpatient high-technology radiology procedures
- Some outpatient cardiology procedures

AlM may request the additional information as part of the prior authorization process. You'll need to submit documentation from the member's medical record that verifies the member's condition.

AIM will review the clinical information and use it in determining the clinical appropriateness of the request. AIM is initiating this as part of their ongoing quality improvement efforts.

If the information you provide does not support the medical necessity of the request, AIM may deny the request.

This won't apply to prior authorization requests submitted for Medicare Plus BlueSM or BCN AdvantageSM members. This information is currently being requested for select BCN commercial prior authorization requests.

You can find information about AIM's requirements related to services for Blue Cross commercial members on our **ereferrals.bcbsm.com** website, on the <u>Blue Cross AIM-Managed Procedures webpage</u>.

AIM is an independent company that manages authorization requests for high-technology radiology and other services for many Blue Cross and BCN members.