



Questionnaire changes in the e-referral system

On March 26 and April 9, 2023, we'll add, update and remove questionnaires in the e-referral system. We'll also add, update and remove the corresponding preview questionnaires on the ereferrals.bcbsm.com website.

As a reminder, we use our authorization criteria, our medical policies and your answers to the questionnaires in the e-referral system when making utilization management determinations on your authorization requests.

New questionnaire

On March 26, we'll add a *Breast reduction* questionnaire that's specific to BCN Advantage members. This questionnaire will open for adolescent and adult BCN Advantage members for procedure code *19318.

Updated questionnaires

We'll update the following questionnaires on the date specified below:

Questionnaire	Will open for	Updates	Release date
<i>Breast reduction</i>	BCN commercial	Will no longer open for BCN Advantage members. This questionnaire will continue to open for procedure code *19318 for BCN commercial members. As noted above, a separate questionnaire will open for BCN Advantage members.	3/26/2023
<i>Endovascular intervention, peripheral artery</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medicare Plus Blue BCN commercial BCN Advantage 	Updating the wording of a question.	3/26/2023
<i>Hammertoe correction surgery</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medicare Plus Blue BCN commercial BCN Advantage 	Updating the wording of some questions.	4/9/2023
<i>Prostatic urethral lift</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCN commercial BCN Advantage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updating the wording of a question. Removing a question. 	3/26/2023
<i>Radiofrequency ablation (RFA), cardiac atrial fibrillation or atrial flutter</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medicare Plus Blue BCN commercial BCN Advantage 	Updating the wording of a question.	4/9/2023



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<i>Radiofrequency ablation (RFA), cardiac frequent monomorphic premature ventricular contractions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicare Plus Blue • BCN commercial • BCN Advantage 	Updating the wording of some questions.	4/9/2023
<i>Radiofrequency ablation (RFA), cardiac nonsustained ventricular tachycardia</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicare Plus Blue • BCN commercial • BCN Advantage 	Updating the wording of some questions.	4/9/2023
<i>Radiofrequency ablation (RFA), cardiac suspected AVNRT, AVRT or focal atrial tachycardia</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicare Plus Blue • BCN commercial • BCN Advantage 	Updating the wording of some questions.	4/9/2023
<i>Radiofrequency ablation (RFA), cardiac sustained (more than 30 seconds) ventricular tachycardia</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicare Plus Blue • BCN commercial • BCN Advantage 	Updating the wording of some questions.	4/9/2023
<i>Radiofrequency ablation (RFA), cardiac treatment for preexcitation syndrome or WPW syndrome</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicare Plus Blue • BCN commercial • BCN Advantage 	Updating the wording of some questions.	4/9/2023
<i>Responsive neurostimulator/deep brain stimulation trigger questionnaire</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCN commercial • BCN Advantage 	Will no longer open for procedure code *61868.	3/26/2023
<i>Responsive neurostimulation for the treatment of refractory partial epilepsy</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCN commercial • BCN Advantage 	Will no longer open for procedure code *61868.	3/26/2023
<i>Thyroidectomy, partial</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicare Plus Blue • BCN commercial • BCN Advantage 	Updating the wording of some questions.	4/9/2023
<i>Thyroidectomy, total</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicare Plus Blue • BCN commercial • BCN Advantage 	Updating the wording of a question.	4/9/2023



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<i>Varicose vein treatment</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCN commercial • BCN Advantage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will open for procedure code *37799. • Updating the wording of some questions. 	3/26/2023

Removed questionnaire

On March 26, we'll remove the *Blepharoplasty, lower lid* questionnaire. Although this service will continue to require prior authorization for Medicare Plus Blue, BCN commercial and BCN Advantage members, this questionnaire will no longer open.

Note: Before March 26, this questionnaire opens for procedure codes *15820 and *15821.

Preview questionnaires

Preview questionnaires show the questions you'll need to answer in the questionnaires that open in the e-referral system so you can prepare your answers ahead of time. To access them, go to ereferrals.bcbsm.com and:

- **For BCN:** Click *BCN* and then click [Authorization Requirements & Criteria](#). Scroll down and look under the "Authorization criteria and preview questionnaires" heading.
- **For Medicare Plus Blue:** Click *Blue Cross* and then click [Authorization Requirements & Criteria](#). Scroll down and look under the "Authorization criteria and preview questionnaires – Medicare Plus Blue" heading.

Authorization criteria and medical policies

The pertinent authorization criteria and medical policies are also available on the Authorization Requirements & Criteria pages.

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