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Medicare Plus BlueSM, BCN commercial and BCN AdvantageSM Category: Authorizations/referrals

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Prior authorization no longer required for some procedures, starting Jan. 1

For dates of service on or after Jan. 1, 2024, the following procedures will no longer require prior authorization.

Note: For dates of service before Jan. 1, these procedures require prior authorization by Medicare Plus BlueSM and BCN Utilization Management.

Procedure	Applies to	Affected procedure codes
Biofeedback, non-behavioral health	BCN commercial	*90901, *90912
	BCN Advantage SM	
Deep brain stimulation	Medicare Plus Blue	*61863, *61864, *61867, *61868, *61880, *61885, *61886, *61888
	BCN commercial	
	BCN Advantage	
Noncoronary vascular stents	Medicare Plus Blue	*37236, *37238
	BCN commercial	
	BCN Advantage	
Total artificial heart	BCN commercial	*0051T, *0052T, *0053T, *33927, *33928, *33975, *33976, *33977, *33978, *33979, *33980, *33981, *33982, *33983, *33990, *33991,
	BCN Advantage	
		*33992, *33993, *33995, *33997

Prior to Jan. 1, we'll update lists of procedure codes that require prior authorization.

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