

## Changes to prior authorization requirements for select services managed by Blue Cross and BCN starting April 12 and April 26

On April 12 and April 26, 2026, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network are changing prior authorization requirements for some services for Medicare Plus Blue, BCN commercial and BCN Advantage members.

### Changes to prior authorization requirements and questionnaires

We changed prior authorization requirements and questionnaires for select services as follows.

Service	Affected lines of business	What's changing	Effective date
Various	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BCN commercial</li> <li>BCN Advantage</li> </ul>	Procedure codes *64473, *64474 and *95012 will no longer require prior authorization.	April 26, 2026
Blepharoplasty and repair of brow ptosis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BCN commercial</li> <li>BCN Advantage</li> <li>Medicare Plus Blue</li> </ul>	The <i>Blepharoplasty and repair of brow ptosis (outpatient)</i> questionnaire will no longer open in the e-referral system for procedure codes *15822, *15823, *67900, *67901, *67902, *67903, *67904, *67906 or *67908.	April 26, 2026
Breast implant management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BCN commercial</li> <li>BCN Advantage</li> </ul>	<p><b>For BCN commercial</b> — The questionnaire <i>HMO Breast implant management</i> will now open in the e-referral system for procedure code *19325 and include an additional question.</p> <p><b>For BCN Advantage</b> — The questionnaire <i>BCNA Breast implant management</i> will no longer open in the e-referral system for procedure codes *19328 or *19330. The procedure codes will continue to require prior authorization.</p>	April 26, 2026
Breast reconstruction	BCN commercial	The third question in the <i>HMO Breast reconstruction</i> questionnaire was reworded.	April 12, 2026

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Endovascular intervention, peripheral artery (noncoronary vascular stents)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BCN Advantage</li> <li>Medicare Plus Blue</li> </ul>	The program name will change to <i>Non-Coronary Vascular Stents</i> and we'll remove the <i>Endovascular intervention, peripheral artery</i> questionnaire from the e-referral system. Instead of completing a questionnaire, the e-referral system will prompt you to complete the <i>Non-Coronary Vascular Stents</i> InterQual <sup>®</sup> Connect guideline. For more information, see the <a href="#">April 13 provider alert</a> .	April 26, 2026
Sacral nerve neuromodulation / stimulation for urinary incontinence	BCN Advantage	The third question in the <i>Medicare Sacral Nerve Stimulation for Urinary Incontinence</i> questionnaire was reworded.	April 12, 2026

### Preview questionnaires and medical necessity criteria

For some of the above services, health care providers are prompted to complete questionnaires in the e-referral system. Refer to the [Preview questionnaires and medical necessity criteria](#) on the [authorizations.bcbsm.com](https://authorizations.bcbsm.com) website for:

- Links to preview questionnaires that show the questions you'll need to answer in the e-referral system so you can prepare your answers ahead of time
- Information about how to access medical necessity criteria and the criteria source for each service

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

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