Single access point for BCBSAZ proprietary medical policies

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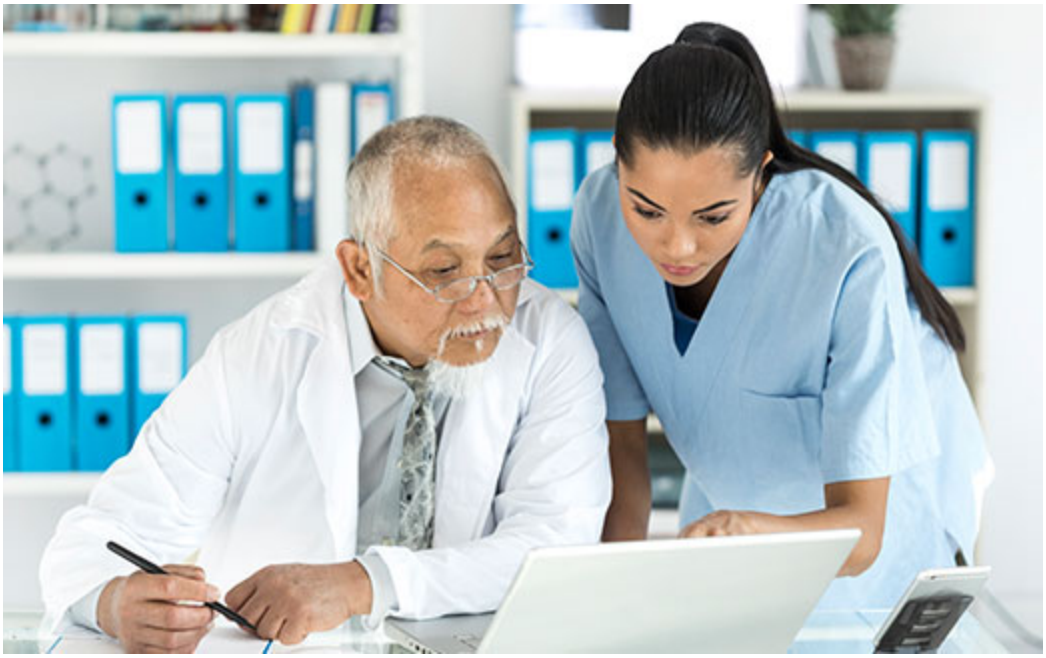

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Last year, we reinstated the azblue.com search tool for Blue Cross® Blue Shield® of Arizona (BCBSAZ) proprietary medical policies used for our commercial plans. Many of those policies are also available through the Change Healthcare InterQual® search tool on the secure provider portal … but not for long!

We have started removing our proprietary policies from the InterQual tool, and soon all of our proprietary policies will only be available through our evidence-based criteria search tool at azblue.com/BCBSAZpolicies. The following medication policies have already been moved and are no longer available in the InterQual tool:

- Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-Cell Therapy for Multiple Myeloma: Abecma® (idecabtagene vicleucel) [PDF]
- CAR T-Cell Therapy for Leukemia and Lymphoma: Breyanzi® (lisocabtagene maraleucel), Kymriah® (tisagenlecleucel), Tecartus™ (brexucabtagene autoleucel), Yescarta® (axicabtagene ciloleucel) [PDF]
- Intravenous Ketamine Infusion for Treatment of Off-Label Indications Including Psychiatric Disorders and Chronic Pain [PDF]
- Luxturna® (voretigene neparvovec-rzyl) [PDF]

The rest of our proprietary policies will be moved out of the InterQual tool within the next few months, when we update to the 2022 version of the InterQual policies we use.

Applicable benefit plans

We develop proprietary policies for certain services and medications covered under the medical benefits in our commercial plans. These and the other nationally recognized policies we use (including eviCore, InterQual, American Specialty Health® [ASH], the National Comprehensive Cancer Network®, and BCBS Association) apply to these plans:

- Fully insured group plans
- Non-group plans for individuals under 65 and their families
- Most self-funded group plans (except those that use a third-party administrator [TPA]'s medical and administrative policies)

Exceptions
The following types of plans may use medical policies that are different from the ones BCBSAZ uses:

- Self-funded group plans that involve a TPA
- BlueCard® (out-of-area) plans issued by other BCBS Plans
- Federal Employee Program® (FEP®) plans
- Medicare Advantage (MA) plans

How to access medical policies for all lines of business

You can access most medical policies from our webpage at azblue.com/medicalpolicies. Additional resources, including the InterQual search tool, are available on the secure azblue.com provider portal at "Practice Management > Medical Policies."

Questions?
If you have questions, please reach out to your provider liaison or call Provider Partnerships at 602-864-4231 or 1-800-232-2345, ext. 4231.

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