

Aetna Better Health® of Kansas

Prior Authorization Change for Respiratory Panels

Effective 10/1/2022, Aetna Better Health of Kansas is changing our prior authorization protocol for respiratory panels as described below.

Prior authorization will be removed for the following codes:

Test codes for up to 5 respiratory pathogens, (87631, 87635, U0001, U0002, U0003, U0004) may be allowed for any of the following:

- (A) COVID ICD 10 codes: B97.29 and U07.1
- (B) To guide therapy
- (C) For immunocompromised members
- (D) For those considered at high-risk for complications.

Test codes for more than 5 respiratory pathogens, (87632, 87633, 0115U, 0151U, 0202U, 0223U, 0225U) are allowed only for:

- (A) Immunocompromised members and/or
- (B) For those considered at high-risk for complications.

Claims for respiratory panels without the correct ICD-10 diagnosis code(s) and/or that do not meet the above listed criteria will be reviewed for medical necessity.

If you have general questions about this communication, please contact our Provider Experience Department:

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