## BlueCross BlueShield MEDICARE

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## **Carelon Medical Benefits Management, Inc. Updates**

Please note, this communication applies to Healthy Blue + Medicare<sup>SM</sup> (HMO-POS D-SNP) offered by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina (Blue Cross NC).

Effective September 1, 2024, Blue Cross NC will transition to the following Carelon Medical Benefits Management, Inc. Clinical Appropriateness Guidelines for medical necessity/clinical appropriateness reviews for requested interventions. This article is to communicate the plan adoption of these Carelon Medical Benefits Management, Inc. guidelines. Existing prior authorization requirements have not changed. In the event a prior authorization requirement for these services will be implemented, a separate notice will be distributed before the addition of any prior authorization requirements:

- Site of Care Guidelines:
  - Site of Care for Advanced Imaging
  - Rehabilitative Site of Care
  - Surgical Site of Care

Please share this notice with other members of your practice and office staff.

## https://www.bluecrossnc.com/providers/networks-programs/blue-medicare/healthy-blue-medicare

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