

Name: Code Processing Changes

Summary:	Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont (Blue Cross VT) has reviewed codes and will be changing the processing of the codes.
Explanation:	<p>This could result in some changes to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior Approval • Investigational Services • Unit Designation • Informational • Other Changes • Fee/Allowed Amounts
Effective Date:	January 01, 2027

Below is an overview of our code processing changes effective January 01, 2027.

CHANGES IN REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN CODES

There are changes in requirements for the following codes.

Code	Processing through 12/31/2026	Change Rationale for 01/01/2027
76498	Requires prior approval through Blue Cross VT	† Prior approval remains required; however, prior approval is now through Carelon.
Q5103	No prior approval required	*Medical drug Q5103 will become nonpreferred and will require prior approval.
Q5104	*Requires prior approval review performed by Optum vendor	Medical drug Q5104 will become preferred and will no longer require prior approval.
0446T	Medically necessary	Removes the medical benefit; approved continuous glucose monitors and associated services may be eligible through the pharmacy benefit.
0447T	Medically necessary	
0448T	Medically necessary	
95249	Medically necessary	
95250	Medically necessary	
95251	Medically necessary	

*prior approval for pharmacy is through Optum Rx

† prior approval for high dollar imaging is through Carelon

Notice of Right to Object in Writing

In accordance with 18 V.S.A. § 9418c contracted providers have the right to object to new or modified policies and manuals.

Providers who object must do so within 60 days of the date the notice related to a policy or manual change. The rationale for the objection to the change must be in writing including related area(s) of the policy or manual and rationale or reasoning for the objection.

These objections are to be directed to Provider Contracting. This can be done by email at: providercontracting@bcbsvt.com or US Postal Service

Blue Cross VT Attn: Provider Contracting, PO Box 186, Montpelier, VT 05601.

Within 5 business days of receipt, the sender will receive confirmation of receipt of the objection.