

## Preview questionnaire: Prostatic urethral lift

For BCN HMO<sup>SM</sup> (commercial) and BCN Advantage<sup>SM</sup> members

Effective March 1, 2020

#### Prostatic urethral lift

Blue Care Network provides coverage for this procedure for adult members in an outpatient or clinic setting who meet medical necessity criteria. Submit authorization requests through e-referral.

The submitter will receive a prompt to complete a questionnaire to determine the appropriateness of the requested service. The questions are listed below.

If all questions are answered, e-referral will either approve or pend the case. If the case pends and BCN cannot authorize it, BCN will contact the provider for additional clinical information. Authorization is not a guarantee of payment.

Payment is based on established claim edits. Compliance with this prior authorization requirement will be monitored retrospectively.

**Applicable codes: \*52441, \*52442** 

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#### See below for the questions you'll encounter in the e-referral system.

Is the patient at least 50 years old?				
Possible answers: □ Yes □ No □ N/A				
<ul> <li>Was the patient diagnosed with symptomatic benign prostatic hypertrophy of the lateral lobes of the prostate?</li> <li>Possible answers: □ Yes □ No □ N/A</li> </ul>				
Does the patient have symptoms of benign prostatic hypertrophy including ALL the following symptoms (A-H)? A. Difficulty starting and stopping urination (hesitancy and straining) B. Decreased strength of the urine stream (weak flow) C. Dribbling after urination D. Feeling that the bladder is not completely empty .E. An urge to urinate again soon after urinating (urgency) F. Pain during urination (dysuria) G. Nocturia - waking up several times during the night with the urge to urinate H. Frequent urinary tract infections secondary to urinary obstruction?				
Possible answers: □ Yes □ No □ N/A				



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A. Alpha	Did the patient fail, was unable to tolerate, or had undesirable side effects of pharmacologic interventions to treat BPH, such as the following (A-C)?     A. Alpha blockers such as Uroxatral, Cardura, Rapaflo, Flomax or Hytrin B. 5-Alpha Reductase Inhibitors for BPH, such as Avodart or Proscar C. Combination drugs using both an alpha blocker and a 5-alpha reductase inhibitor			
<b>A</b> ~	Possible answers: ☐ Yes ☐ No	□ N/A		