

## Blue Care Network outpatient high-tech radiology program procedure codes

Providers must obtain an authorization of services performed on or after July 1, 2014 directly from CareCore National by visiting [carecorenational.com](http://carecorenational.com) or calling 1-855-774-1317.

Providers will be required to respond to CareCore's criteria/questions with [carecorenational.com](http://carecorenational.com) submissions, which allows real-time certification for requests meeting the criteria. Cases not approved when entered initially will be reviewed by CareCore. CareCore will contact the provider if additional information is needed and notify providers of the outcome/determination.

The following list of codes indicates the outpatient high-tech radiology procedures for which providers must request prior authorization:

Procedure	CPT codes*
CT of the abdomen or CT of the abdomen and pelvis	74150, 74160, 74170, 74176, 74177, 74178
CT of the brain	70450, 70460, 70470
CT of the chest	71250, 71260, 71270
CT of the face and jaw (maxillofacial area)	70486, 70487, 70488
CT of the lumbar spine	72131, 72132, 72133
CT of the pelvis	72192, 72193, 72194
MRI of the abdomen	74181, 74182, 74183
MRI of the brain	70551, 70552, 70553
MRI of the cervical spine	72156, 72142, 72141
MRI of the lower extremities	73718, 73719, 73720, 73721, 73722, 73723
MRI of the lumbar spine	72148, 72149, 72158
MRI of the thoracic spine	72146, 72147, 72157
MRI of the upper extremities	73218, 73219, 73220, 73221, 73222, 73223
Nuclear blood pool imaging, cardiac blood pool, heart muscle cardiac MUGA	78472, 78473, 78481, 78483, 78494, 78496
Nuclear scan of biliary tract/hepatobiliary duct (HIDA)	78226, 78227
Nuclear scan of heart muscle (myocardial perfusion imaging) (MPI)	78451, 78452, 78453, 78454, 78466, 78468, 78469
Nuclear scan of liver and spleen, SPECT, vascular flow (liver-spleen scan)	78201, 78202, 78205, 78206, 78215, 78216

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