



NOTICE FOR UnitedHealthcare® PROVIDERS

UnitedHealthcare Requirement Prior Authorization Select Genetic and Molecular Testing November 1, 2017

Starting Nov. 1, 2017, UnitedHealthcare (UHC) will require prior authorization for certain genetic and molecular tests. Additional information can be found on the [UHC website](#) under Genetic and Molecular Lab Testing Notification/Prior Authorization.

A listing of the most commonly affected tests, including those which have been ordered within the past year at PCL Alverno can be found on the PCL Alverno website under the "Provider" tab. For a comprehensive list of qualifying CPT codes, please see the [UHC FAQ](#) site.

- Prior authorization is obtained through UHC service provider portal BeaconLBS. This requires registration with UHC Optum ID and registration with BeaconLBS. A user's guide for clinicians can also be found on the PCL Alverno website.
- The online notification/prior authorization process will give care providers a quick coverage determination when their requests for these tests meet UnitedHealthcare clinical guideline criteria.
- Once registered, choose "**Alverno**" under the lab option.
- After testing has been approved, the test order may be placed.
- Genetic and molecular lab test notification/prior authorization coverage approvals are valid for 90 days.
- Testing which is added onto a specimen that has been examined by a pathologist will require prior authorization by the physician who initially submitted the specimen.

If prior authorization is denied and testing is performed, the client will be charged for the test.

Visit PCL Alverno's website for several UHC registration links and details.