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New Genetic Testing for Breast and Ovarian Cancer (BRCA)

Effective with dates of service July 1, 2016 and forward, Louisiana Medicaid will now cover genetic testing for BRCA 1 and BRCA 2 mutations in cancer-affected individuals and cancer-unaffected individuals. Louisiana Medicaid considers it to be medically necessary if the recipient meets the published criteria.

Information regarding this policy and criteria can be found on www.lamedicaid.com under the Provider Manuals link within the Professional Services Manual and the fee schedule can be found within the Professional Services Fee schedule under Laboratory and Radiology section.

The Managed Care Organizations will cover services listed on the Louisiana Medicaid Professional Services and related fee schedules. The fee schedules are updated to reflect additional services. Updates to Managed Care Organization changes are plan specific and are the responsibility of each Health Plan to make appropriate changes to their fee schedule, coverage criteria and prior authorization process.