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IHCP updates specified genetic testing policies

As a result of stakeholder feedback, the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) is making updates to the prior authorization (PA) criteria for the following two genetic testing policies under fee-for-service (FFS) Traditional Medicaid, effective for dates of service on or after April 7, 2023:

- The IHCP covers Oncotype DX Breast Recurrence Score using Current Procedural Terminology (CPT^{®1}) code 81519 – *Test for detecting genes associated with breast cancer* and EndoPredict Breast Cancer Assay billed with procedure code 81522 – *Oncology (breast), mRNA gene expression analysis of 12 genes in breast tumor tissue*. PA is required for these services, with one of the criterion being the individual must have pN0 (node negative) or pN1mi with axillary lymph node micrometastasis less than or equal to 2mm. The IHCP will be updating this criterion to include all pN1 pathological node stages of breast cancer (pN1a, pN1b and pN1c) to better align with national clinical guidelines.
- The IHCP covers PALB 2 genetic testing using CPT code 81307 – *PALB2 (partner and localizer of BRCA2) (eg, breast and pancreatic cancer) gene analysis; full gene sequence*. PA is required for this service; however, the IHCP currently does not have PA criteria published within the IHCP provider reference modules. To clarify the medical necessity requirements to obtain this service, the same medical necessity criteria used for BRCA 1 and BRCA 2 as published in the [Genetic Testing](#) provider reference module, are the same PA criteria to be used for PALB 2 genetic testing.



For other genetic testing policies under FFS Traditional Medicaid, see the [Genetic Testing](#) provider reference module.

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