

**CHANGES TO MEDICAL NECESSITY REVIEW CRITERIA FOR CORONARY ARTERY CALCIUM**

This notification applies to the following networks: Commercial HMO, POS, and PPO

A listing of all networks can be found on the provider website at <https://wa-provider.kaiserpermanente.org/communications/letters>

**Effective August 1, 2021**, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington and Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington Options, Inc. (Kaiser Permanente) are updating the clinical review criteria for coronary artery calcium (CAC) scoring for non-Medicare members.

**Explanation of the change:**

Clinical review criteria for CAC scoring for non-Medicare members have been revised to include indications for patients aged 40-75 with an intermediate 10-year ASCVD risk.

Clinical review criteria can be found on the Kaiser Permanente provider website at: <https://wa-provider.kaiserpermanente.org/static/pdf/hosting/clinical/criteria/pdf/cardiac-ct-angiography.pdf>.

**What will I need to do differently for my patients with the following Kaiser Permanente health plans?**

- KFHPWA Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) members: Prior authorization is required.
- KFHPWAO Point of Service (POS) members: Prior authorization is required for in-network coverage.
- KFHPWAO Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) members: Prior authorization is required.

Questions: Please contact the Provider Assistance Unit at 509-241-7206 or 1-888-767-4670, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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