

Security Health Plan policy review – Policies effective February 2020

Security Health Plan reviews medical policies on a monthly basis. Medical policies are found in the provider section of the Plan's public website. As we review and develop clinical criteria for our policies, providers with particular professional knowledge or clinical expertise on certain subjects are invited to provide input and opinions. Click on *policies web page* for more information including past monthly policy reviews.

Policy changes effective Feb. 1, 2020

Policies reviewed with changes made to medical criteria:

- Back Surgical Procedure: Vertebroplasty-Inpatient and Outpatient Settings
- Back Surgical Procedure for Cervical and Thoracic levels -Inpatient and Outpatient Settings
- Cologuard DNA
- Core Decompression of AVN of the Femoral Head
- Hospice
- Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy
- Hyperthermic Intraperitoneal Chemotherapy
- Pancreas Transplant Aline (PTA) and Autologous Islet Cell Transplants
- Radiofrequency Ablation to Treat Tumors
- Refractive Eye Surgery
- Telehealth
- Tilt Table Testing
- Total Hip Replacement Surgical Precertification
- Total Knee Replacement Surgical Precertification
- Experimental/Investigational Policy Changes
- Complementary and Alternative Policy

Policies reviewed with no changes made to medical criteria:

- Amino-Acid Based Oral Formulas for Infants reviewed by Northwood
- Behavioral Health AODA: Transitional Care Coverage
- Wearable Hearing Aids

New Policies

None

Retired Policies

- Low Back Pain Consultation with Orthopedic or Neurosurgical Specialist
- Hysterectomy Surgical Procedures