

November 14, 2024

RE: Revised Medical Policies effective February 1, 2025

Dear Provider/Facility:

The chart below provides a high-level overview of revised Medical Policies effective for dates of service February 1, 2025, or after.

Updated and new medical policies are posted at least 30 days prior to their effective dates on the Provider Policies page under Vermont Medical Policies. Link: www.bluecrossvt.org/provider-policies

We encourage you to review the medical policies in their entirety. Some of the changes may affect eligible services, non-covered services, services that are not medically necessary, prior approval requirements or investigational services. The changes to these policies may also affect financial responsibilities for members and/or providers.

Policy Title	High-Level Overview
Ambulance and Medical Transport Services (Ground, Air and Water)	 Prior approval for non-emergency ground transport codes A0426 and A0428 removed Minor formatting changes for clarity and consistency
Enteral Nutrition	 Criteria language around age requirements removed Removed prior approval from: B4034, B4035, B4081, B4082, B4083, B4087, B4088, B4105, B4148, B4162, B9002, B9998, S9340, S9341, S9342, S9343 Code B9998 will suspend for medical review Minor formatting changes for clarity and consistency
Medical Food for Inherited Metabolic Disease	 Code B9998 prior approval removed, code will suspend for medical review Minor changes for clarity and consistency

If you have any questions regarding this notice, feel free to contact your provider relations consultant. If you are not sure who that is, please email providerrelations@bcbsvt.com or call (888) 449-0443 option 1 and you will be directed to the appropriate person. Business hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except holidays.

Sincerely,

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