

## Genetic testing services to require prior authorization

**Summary of change:** Effective June 1, 2017, the following genetic testing services require prior authorization (PA): epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR), prothrombin coagulation (factor II) and methylenetetrahydrofolate reductase mutation (MTHFR) testing.

### What is the impact of this change?

For dates of service on or after October 1, 2017, PA is required for EGFR testing, prothrombin coagulation (factor II) testing and MTHFR testing covered for members with Amerigroup District of Columbia, Inc. Federal and District law (as well as District contract language and CMS guidelines including definitions and specific contract provisions/exclusions) take precedence over these PA rules and must be considered first when determining coverage. Noncompliance with new requirements may result in denied claims.

PA requirements will apply to the following codes:

- 81235
- 81240
- 81291

To request PA, contact us by phone at 1-800-454-3730 or by fax at 1-800-964-3627. You may also use the Availity Portal: <https://www.availity.com>.

Not all PA requirements are listed here. Detailed PA requirements are available to contracted providers on the provider self-service website: [<https://providers.amerigroup.com/DC> > Provider Resources & Documents > Quick Tools > Precertification Lookup Tool].

### What if I need assistance?

If you have questions about this communication or need assistance with any other item, contact your local Provider Relations representative or call Provider Services at 1-800-454-3730.