

**MEDICAL POLICIES**

AUGUST 2018

**Medical Policies - August 2018**

Our Medical Policies have been updated. Below is a summary of changes for August.

NEW**[FASENRA™ \(benralizumab\)](#)****REVISED****[Home Birth Midwifery Services](#)**

- Added examples to the high-risk condition/clinical scenario listings.

[Gender Affirming/Reassignment Surgery](#)

- Changed the title from Gender Reassignment Surgery to Gender Affirming/Reassignment Surgery.
- Added non-conforming non-binary and definitions.
- Added the term “affirming” to the Hormone and Surgical sections to denote inclusiveness.

[Interspinous Distraction Devices](#)

- Superior substituted for X-Stop (no longer available) and Coflex added to Limitations/Exclusions as investigational.

[Osteogenesis Stimulators](#)

Removed adjunctive cervical fusion use from Limitations/Exclusions.

KYMRIAH™ (tisagenlecleucel)

- Added coverage and clinical criteria for large B-cell lymphoma.

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