APPROVED CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES REFERENCED FOR UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT

Criteria/ Guideline	Citation Style for Policy Reference	Abbreviation
Medi-Cal Provider Manual / Guidelines	Medi-Cal Guidelines then subsection used and abbreviation *Example:* Medi-Cal Guidelines Pathology: Molecular Pathology (*path molec*)	_ _
Medicare Parts C & D Enrollee Grievances, Organization/Coverage Determinations, and Appeals Guidance	As applicable for Partnership Advantage Members: Medicare Manual title, subsection used (Date) *with hyperlink* *Medicare Manual Example:* Medicare Parts C & D Enrollee Grievances, Organization/Coverage Determinations, and Appeals Guidance Section 40 Coverage Determinations, Organization Determinations (Initial Determinations) and At-Risk Determinations (11/18/2024) *NCD Example*: Medicare National Coverage Determinations (NCD) Manual 100-03: Chapter 1, Part 4, Section 280.14 Infusion Pumps. Implementation date 02/18/2005 or any subsequent updates published by CMS. *LCD Example:* Medicare Local Coverage Determination (LCD) L33794 External Infusion Pumps Revision Effective Date 10/01/2024 or any subsequent updates published by CMS.	CMS NCD LCD
InterQual® Criteria	InterQual® Criteria including version year and then subset used *Example*: InterQual® 2024 DME Criteria – Insulin Pump, Ambulatory	IQ
All Plan Letters from DHCS	Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) All Plan Letter (APL) (2 digit year)-(number) Title (Date) *with hyperlink* *Example:* Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) All Plan Letter (APL) 22-005 No Wrong Door for Mental Health Services Policy (03/30/2022)	APL (xx)-(xxx)
CCS Numbered Letters	California Children's Services (CCS) Numbered Letter (NL) (2 digit year)-(number) Title (Date) *with hyperlink* *Example:* California Children's Services (CCS) Numbered Letter (NL) 09-0514 Powered Mobility Devices (PMD) (05/29/2014)	CCS NL (xx)-(xxxx)
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: then guideline used *with hyperlink*	AHRQ
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): then guideline or article used *with hyperlink* *Example:* Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): Epigenetics, Health, and Disease	CDC
National Comprehensive Cancer Network	National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN): then guideline used *with hyperlink* *Example*: National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN): NCCN Guidelines for Treatment of Cancer by Site	NCCN

United States Preventive Services Taskforce	United States Preventive Services Taskforce (USPSTF) guidelines: then guideline used *with hyperlink* *Example*: United States Preventive Services Taskforce (USPSTF): Cervical Cancer: Screening	USPSTF
Up-To-Date	UpToDate: Author(s), Article Title, publishing date *with hyperlink* or UpToDate: Search Term or Title of Article *Example:* UpToDate: D. Kline, Lewis R. MD et al. Clinical Presentation and Diagnosis of OSA in Adults; published online 9 August 2019. or UpToDate: Obstructive Sleep Apnea	UTD
Cochrane Reviews	Cite specific journal article located through Cochrane Reviews: Author(s), Article Title *with hyperlink*, Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews, publishing date, DOI, Date Accessed. or Cochrane Reviews: Search Term or Title of Article *Example:* Reis S, Metzendorf M-I, Kuehn R, Popp M, Gagyor I, Kranke P, Meybohm P, Skoetz N, Weibel S. Nirmatrelvir combined with ritonavir for preventing and treating COVID-19. Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews 2023, Issue 11. Art. No.: CD015395. DOI: 10.1002/14651858.CD015395.pub3. Accessed 15 May 2026. or Cochrane Reviews: Cochrane COVID-19 publications	CR
OpenEvidence	Cite specific journal article located through OpenEvidence	
Other government or specialty society guidelines as noted in Partnership policies	Varies	– –