

UniMed Unapproved Services – February 2017

The following procedures are unapproved by UniMed and there is no cover for these services. This list includes commonly requested procedures and is not complete. UniMed may include and remove services at their discretion. Procedures on this list, may have alternative names and variations, these are also unapproved.

To confirm if a procedure is covered, please refer to the UniMed approved procedures list and the UniMed Conditions of Membership, or phone the Claims team on 0800 600 666.

Cardiac/ Vascular

External counter pulsation therapy
Insertion of atrial appendage device
(eg Watchman device)
Insertion of implantable cardiac event monitor (eg reveal device)
Pacemaker
Sutureless cardiac valve surgery
Thoracic endovascular aneurysm repair
Transcatheter valve surgery

General surgery

Botox for achalasia/ laryngeal conditions
BRAVA assisted breast reconstruction
Breast Reduction / implants
Bulking agents including PTQ silicone microspheres
Colonic chromoendoscopy
Fecal transplant
FibroScan
Gastroduodenal artery embolisation
Gynaecomastia surgery
HALO radiofrequency ablation
Laparoscopic hepatectomy
Laser ablation of common bile duct stones
Lymphoedema Surgery
Methylene blue injections (for anal pruritus)
Microwave ablation of renal tumours
Obesity surgery
Portal vein embolisation
Therapeutic mammoplasty
VenaSeal closure system for varicose veins

Gynaecology

Botox injections
Hymenorrhaphy
Labiaplasty
Mirena/Jaydess (IUD) insertion (for contraception)
MRI-guided ultrasound for ablation of uterine fibroids
Perineoplasty/perineorrhaphy
Pregnancy related procedures
Tubal ligation/ sterilisation (unless loyalty benefit applies)

Interventional radiology

Pelvic venous congestion syndrome - sclerotherapy and embolisation
Percutaneous renal cryoablation
Radioactive iodine

Neurosurgery

Botox (Botulinum toxin) injection for the treatment of chronic daily headache
Cranioplasty
Ventriculostomy

Ophthalmology

Avastin injections
Blepharoplasty/ ptosis
BlephEx treatment
Cyclodiode Laser (Cyclophotocoagulation)
Ellex 2RT ophthalmic laser (other than for the treatment of significant macular oedema)
Glaukos iStent, Ivantis Hydrus and similar microstents for the treatment of glaucoma
Implanted lenses other than monofocal
Intense pulse light therapy for dry eye treatment
Intra-ocular injections
Intravitreal Implants
LARS ligaments and NEO ligament
Neuro-vision therapy
Refractive Surgery
YAG laser for vitreous floater

Oral and Maxillofacial surgery

Botox injections to muscles of mastication
Extraction/ surgical removal of teeth
Implantation of teeth/ titanium teeth implants
Temporo-mandibular joint related surgery
Orthodontic/ endodontic/ orthognathic and periodontal services

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Orthopaedic surgery

Balloon kyphoplasty
Bone and soft tissue ablation and cementoplasty
Bone tamp
Botox injections for the treatment of neuromuscular conditions
Great/ first toe arthroplasty
Interspinous dynamic stabilisation
Laser treatment of ingrown toenails/ fungal infections
Lumbar / thoracic disc replacement
Multi level cervical disc replacement
M6cervical artificial disc and replacement
Percutaneous thermal radiofrequency neurotomy
Radiofrequency ablation bone lesions
Radiofrequency neurotomy (non-thermal and pulsed, spinal, peripheral)
Spinal cord stimulator implant (SCS)
Subtalar implants
Trabecular metal bone replacement implant
Vertebroplasty

Otolaryngology

Cochlear implant
Eustachian tube injections/ balloon dilation
Laser ear surgery
Palatopharyngoplasty/ uvulopalatopharyngoplasty
Pillar procedure
Rhinoplasty
Septo Rhinoplasty
Sinus Lift
Sleep/snoring/ obstructive sleep apnoea treatment
Vidian neurectomy

Urology

AMI ATOMS Sling
Laser treatment for incontinence
Renal aneurysm coiling
Percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation
FemiLift
Renal dialysis

Tests

Allergy testing
Balance tests
Breath nitric oxide testing
CT calcium scoring
CXbladder test
Endoscopic ultrasound
Fertility/ pregnancy
Genetic tests
Harmony prenatal test
Immunology
Inflammatory MMP
Mole Map
Prostate- Specific Membrane Antigen PET/CT scan
Surveillance/ screening
Sleep study
Tilt table test

Other

Accident related injuries
Acute care
Autologous blood / blood product injection
Blood transfusion/ blood products
Chelation
Clinical photography
Cosmetic procedures
Custom made prosthesis
Ex-Ablate system
Contrain biofeedback
Desensitization
Fertility related procedures
Gender reassignment
Intense Pulsed Light (IPL)
Iron Infusion
Laser treatment for skin lesions
Microwave ablation of lung tumours
MiraDry
Occupational Therapy
Organ transplantation
Phlebotomy / Venesection
Photodynamic therapy
Phototesting for light sensitive dermatological disorders
Picato gel
Platelet-rich plasma injections
Proton beam therapy
Pregnancy related procedures
Psychiatric/ psychological treatment
Renal/ peritoneal dialysis

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Robotically Assisted surgery

Other (continued)

Sinus Lift

Stem cell transplants

Stereotactic radiation therapy

Sterilisation

Selective internal radiation therapy (SIRT)

Synthetic ligaments

Screening bloods i.e travel/ work/ study

Substance abuse related rehab/ detox/ procedures

UVB Phototherapy

Vaccinations/ Immunisations

