

# List of Unapproved Healthcare Services

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The healthcare services listed below are not covered by UniMed. This includes services that may be known by a different name or are similar to those listed. This list is not complete and may be updated from time to time. This list does not include services excluded under the General Exclusions in the Terms and Conditions, which also form part of your policy.

If you're unsure whether a healthcare service is covered, please check with UniMed before receiving treatment.

## Cardiac/ vascular

- External counter pulsation therapy
- Insertion of atrial appendage device (e.g. Watchman device)
- Insertion of implantable cardiac event monitor (e.g. Reveal™ device)
- Open Repair of Atrial Septal Defect (ASD)
- Pacemaker appliance
- Percutaneous repair of atrial septal defect
- Sutureless cardiac valve surgery
- Thoracic endovascular aneurysm repair
- Transcatheter valve surgery

## General surgery

- Botox for achalasia/ laryngeal conditions
- BRAVA assisted breast reconstruction
- Bulking agents including PTQ silicone microspheres
- Colonic chromoendoscopy
- Excision accessory breast tissue
- Excision of anal skin tag
- FibroScan
- Gastroduodenal artery embolisation
- Gastroscopy with RFA for Barrett's oesophagus
- Laparoscopic hepatectomy
- Laser ablation of common bile duct stones
- Lymphoedema surgery
- Methylene blue injections (for anal pruritus)
- Microwave ablation of renal tumours
- Portal vein embolisation
- Removal of foreign body (simple)
- Therapeutic mammoplasty
- VenaSeal closure system for varicose veins

## Gynaecology

- Botox injections
- Hymenorrhaphy
- Incision of hymen
- Labiaplasty
- Laser division of vaginal band – special approval only
- MRI-guided ultrasound for ablation of uterine fibroids
- Perineoplasty/ perineorrhaphy

## Interventional radiology

- Percutaneous renal cryoablation
- Radioactive iodine treatment
- Sclerotherapy, embolisation, or clipping for pelvic vein incompetence or pelvic venous congestion syndrome

## Neurosurgery

- Botox (Botulinum toxin) injection for the treatment of chronic daily headache
- Cranioplasty
- Craniotomy for removal of vascular malformation/ cavernoma
- Endoscopic third ventriculostomy
- Foramen magnum decompression for Chiari malformation/ syringomyelia
- Primary suture nerves
- Repair of encephalocele
- Secondary repair of nerve
- Suture of digital nerve – hand/ foot
- Suture of major peripheral nerves – arm/ leg
- Suture of nerve requiring extensive mobilisation

## Ophthalmology

- Amniotic membrane – piece
- Avastin injections
- Blepharoplasty and ptosis surgery
- BlephEx treatment
- Cornea or sclera – removal of foreign body
- Cornea – intact button
- Cornea – pre-cut
- Cyclodiode laser (cyclophotocoagulation)
- Deep anterior lamellar keratoplasty (DALK)
- Descemet's stripping endothelial automated keratoplasty
- Ellex 2RT ophthalmic laser (other than for the treatment of significant macular oedema)
- Excision of xanthelasma
- 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
- Intraocular injections
- Intravitreal implants
- Neural vision correction technology (e.g. NeuroVision therapy)
- Penetrating keratoplasty
- Pingueculum excision
- Rebubble following corneal endothelial transplantation
- Sclera – whole
- YAG laser vitreolysis for floaters

## Oral and maxillofacial surgery

- Botox injections to muscles of mastication
- Temporomandibular joint related surgery

## Orthopaedic surgery

- Acromioclavicular (AC) joint – reduction and repair
- Arthroscopic cruciate ligament repair and/ or reconstruction
- Balloon kyphoplasty
- Bone and soft tissue ablation and cementoplasty
- Bone tamp
- Botox injections for the treatment of neuromuscular conditions
- Cervical rib excision
- Extensor tendon repair – hand/ finger
- Ganz osteotomy
- Great/ first toe arthroplasty
- Interspinous dynamic stabilisation
- Laser treatment of ingrown toenails/ fungal infections
- Ligament repair of hand/ wrist
- Lumbar/ thoracic disc replacement
- M6 cervical artificial disc and replacement
- Manipulation of joint

- Multi level cervical disc replacement
- Open cruciate ligament repair and/ or reconstruction
- Open reduction fracture of clavicle
- Percutaneous thermal radiofrequency neurotomy
- Primary repair of flexor tendon – hand
- Radiofrequency ablation bone lesions
- Radiofrequency neurotomy (nonthermal and pulsed, spinal, peripheral)
- Repair collateral ligament – knee
- Repair of mallet finger
- Repair of patella tendon with/ without graft
- Repair of wrist or forearm extensor tendon
- Repair of wrist or forearm flexor tendon
- Secondary repair flexor tendon – hand (with/ without graft)
- Spinal cord stimulator implant (SCS)
- Subtalar implants
- Synthetic ligaments
- Trabecular metal bone replacement implant
- Vertebroplasty

## Otolaryngology

- Branchial fistula
- Cochlear implant
- Eustachian tube injections/ balloon dilation
- Excision of thyroglossal cyst or fistula
- Foreign body ear – surgical removal
- Laser ear surgery
- Palatopharyngoplasty/ uvulopalatopharyngoplasty
- Pillar procedure
- Rhinoplasty
- Septo rhinoplasty
- Sinus lift
- Vidian neurectomy

## Tests

- Allergy testing
- Balance tests
- CT calcium scoring
- Cxbladder test
- Endoscopic ultrasound
- Fractional exhaled nitric oxide (FeNO) test
- Immunology
- Inflammatory MMP
- Prostate – specific membrane antigen PET/ CT scan
- Tilt table test

## Urology

- AMI ATOMS sling
- FemiLift
- Laser treatment for incontinence
- Orchidopexy
- Percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation

- Renal aneurysm coiling
- Renal dialysis
- Undescended testis – laparoscopy for

## Other

- Autologous blood/ blood product injection
- Biofeedback and electrostimulation for faecal incontinence
- Chelation therapy
- Clinical photography
- Custom made prosthesis
- Desensitisation
- Dynamic graciloplasty
- Ex-Ablate system
- Intense pulsed light (IPL)
- Iron infusion
- Laser treatment for skin lesions
- Microwave ablation of lung tumours
- MiraDry
- Phlebectomy/ venesection
- Photodynamic therapy
- Phototesting for light sensitive dermatological disorders
- Picato gel
- Platelet rich plasma injections
- Proton beam therapy
- Renal/ peritoneal dialysis
- Selective internal radiation therapy (SIRT)
- Stem cell therapy
- Stereotactic radiation therapy
- UVB phototherapy