

BRCA1 AND BRCA2 SEQUENCING AND/OR DELETION/DUPLICATION ANALYSIS

- I. *BRCA1* and *BRCA2* (81162, 81163, 81164, 81165, 81166, 81167, 81216) sequencing and/or deletion/duplication analysis for hereditary breast and/or ovarian cancer susceptibility is considered **medically necessary** when:
 - A. The member is 18 years or older, **AND**
 - B. The member has a personal history of any of the following:
 1. Male (sex assigned at birth) breast cancer, **OR**
 2. Triple-negative breast cancer, **OR**
 3. Breast cancer diagnosed at age 65 or younger, **OR**
 4. Epithelial ovarian cancer (including fallopian tube cancer or peritoneal cancer), **OR**
 5. Exocrine pancreatic or ampullary cancer, **OR**
 6. Metastatic prostate cancer, **OR**
 7. High- or very-high-risk group prostate cancer, **OR**
 8. Multiple primary breast cancers (diagnosed synchronously or metachronously), **OR**
 - C. The member has a personal history of breast cancer **AND** any of the following:
 1. Ashkenazi Jewish ancestry, **OR**
 2. One or more close relatives with any of the following:
 - a) Female (sex assigned at birth) breast cancer diagnosed at age 50 years or younger, **OR**
 - b) Male (sex assigned at birth) breast cancer, **OR**
 - c) Ovarian cancer, **OR**

- d) Pancreatic cancer, **OR**
- e) Prostate cancer that is either metastatic, intermediate-risk with intraductal/criform histology, or high- or very-high-risk group, **OR**
- 3. Three or more total diagnoses of breast cancer and/or prostate cancer (any grade) on the same side of the family including the member with breast cancer, **OR**
- D. The member has a first- or second-degree relative meeting any of the above criteria, **OR**
- E. The member has metastatic breast cancer and is being considered for systemic treatment using PARP inhibitors, **OR**
- F. The member has high-risk, HER2-negative breast cancer and is being considered for adjuvant treatment with olaparib, **OR**
- G. The member's probability of having a *BRCA1* or *BRCA2* pathogenic variant is greater than 2.5% based on prior probability models (examples: Tyrer-Cuzick, BRCApro, CanRisk).
- II. *BRCA1* and *BRCA2* (81162, 81163, 81164, 81165, 81166, 81167, 81216) sequencing and/or deletion/duplication analysis for hereditary breast and/or ovarian cancer susceptibility is considered **investigational** for all other indications.
- III. *BRCA1/BRCA2* mRNA sequencing analysis for the interpretation of variants of unknown significance (0138U), when billed in addition, is considered **investigational** because it is typically either considered an existing component of the genetic testing process for quality assurance or follow up testing without proven utility.

DEFINITIONS

1. **Close relatives** include first, second, and third degree blood relatives on the same side of the family:

- a. **First-degree relatives** are parents, siblings, and children
 - b. **Second-degree relatives** are grandparents, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and half siblings
 - c. **Third-degree relatives** are great grandparents, great aunts, great uncles, great grandchildren, and first cousins
2. **Breast cancer:** Term that applies to patients with invasive cancer or ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS).
3. **High-risk breast cancer** is defined by NCCN as “those with ≥ 4 positive lymph nodes (confirmed preoperatively and/or at surgery), or 1–3 positive lymph nodes with either grade 3 disease or tumor size ≥ 5 cm (on pre-operative imaging and/ or at surgery)”. (p. BINV-K)
4. **High-risk prostate cancer:** Defined by NCCN as an individual who has no very-high-risk features but has exactly one of the following high-risk features:
 - a. cT3a, OR
 - b. Grade Group 4 or Grade Group 5, **OR**
 - c. PSA > 20ng/ml
5. **Very-high-risk prostate cancer:** Defined by NCCN as an individual who has at least one of the following:
 - a. CT3b-cT4
 - b. Primary Gleason pattern 5
 - c. 2 or 3 high-risk features
 - d. >4 cores with Grade Group 4 or 5

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