



MONTANA HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS NOTICE

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Outpatient Hospital, Critical Access Hospital, IDTF, Physician, and Mid-Level Providers

Effective April 1, 2018

UPDATED

Systematic Approval Diagnosis for MRI of the Head and CT of the Brain

Effective for dates of service on or after April 1, 2018, the Department will adopt the InterQual clinical criteria CPT 70450, 70460, 70470, 70551, 70552, and 70553. Providers are required to ensure the service provided meets InterQual criteria. The CPT codes above are eligible for reimbursement by Montana Healthcare programs for the clinically appropriate diagnoses below. Medical records do not need to be submitted with the claim, however the records must reflect the medical necessity of the service.

A prior authorization is required if the primary or sole diagnosis code for the MRI of the Head or CT of the Brain is a headache or migraine.

Please fax prior authorization requests to MPQH at 877-443-2580 (long-distance) or 406-513-1923 (local), or mail to 3404 Cooney Drive, Helena, MT 59602.

All other conditions are considered not covered. If your claim is denied and you believe InterQual criteria has been satisfied, fax the claim with supporting medical documentation to MPQH at 877-443-2580 (long-distance) or 406-513-1923 (local), or mail to 3404 Cooney Drive, Helena, MT 59602.

| Description |
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| Abnormal head movements |
| Absence epileptic syndrome, intractable |
| Absence epileptic syndrome, not intractable |
| Acute cerebrovascular insufficiency |
| Altered mental status |
| Arhinencephaly |
| Arnold-Chiari syndrome with hydrocephalus |
| Arnold-Chiari syndrome with spina bifida |
| Arnold-Chiari syndrome with spina bifida and hydrocephalus |
| Arteriovenous malformation of cerebral vessels |
| Bacterial meningitis |
| Bacterial meningoencephalitis and meningomyelitis |
| Benign neoplasm of cranial nerves |
| Benign neoplasm of the brain |
| Birth Injury to Facial Nerve |

| Description |
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| Birth Injury to other cranial nerves |
| Carotid artery syndrome |
| Cerebral aneurysm, nonruptured |
| Cerebral atherosclerosis |
| Cerebral edema due to birth injury |
| Cerebral infarction due to embolism of cerebral arteries |
| Cerebral infarction due to embolism of unspecified carotid artery embolism of unspecified carotid artery |
| Cerebral infarction due to embolism of unspecified vertebral artery |
| Cerebral infarction due to thrombosis of cerebral arteries |
| Cerebral infarction due to thrombosis of unspecified vertebral artery |
| Cerebral infarction due to unspecified occlusion or stenosis of cerebral arteries |
| Cerebral infarction due to unspecified occlusion or stenosis of precerabral arteries |
| Cerebral ischemia |
| Complex febrile convulsions |
| Concussion, initial encounter |
| Congenital cerebral cysts |
| Congenital herpesviral infection |
| Congenital hydrocephalus |
| Contusion and laceration of cerebrum, initial encounter |
| Contusion, laceration, and hemorrhage of brainstem, initial encounter |
| Contusion, laceration, and hemorrhage of cerebellum, initial encounter |
| Crushing injury of head, part unspecified |
| Crushing injury of other parts of head |
| Degenerative disease of nervous system, unspecified |
| Delirium due to know physiologocial condition |
| Dementia in other disease classified elsewhere |
| Epidural hemorrhage, initial encounter |
| Epilepsy, unspecified |
| Epileptic seizures related to external causes, not intractable |
| Epileptic spasms |
| Generalized idiopathic epilepsy and epileptic syndromes, not intractable |
| Generalized idiopathic epilepsy and epileptic syndromes, with status epilepticus |
| Hallervorden-Spatz disease |
| Holoprosencephaly |
| Huntington's disease |
| Hydrocephalus |
| Injury of abducent nerve, left side |
| Injury of abducent nerve, right side |
| Injury of abducent nerve, unspecified side |
| Injury of accessory nerve, left side |
| Injury of accessory nerve, right side |
| Injury of accessory nerve, unspecified side |
| Injury of acoustic nerve, left side |

| Description |
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| Injury of acoustic nerve, right side |
| Injury of acoustic nerve, unspecified side |
| Injury of blood vessels of head |
| Injury of oculomotor nerve, left side |
| Injury of oculomotor nerve, right side |
| Injury of oculomotor nerve, unspecified side |
| Injury of olfactory nerve, left side |
| Injury of olfactory nerve, right side |
| Injury of olfactory nerve, unspecified side |
| Injury of optic chiasm |
| Injury of optic nerve, left eye |
| Injury of optic nerve, right eye |
| Injury of optic nerve, unspecified eye |
| Injury of optic tract and pathways, left side |
| Injury of optic tract and pathways, right side |
| Injury of optic tract and pathways, unspecified side |
| Injury of other cranial nerves, left side |
| Injury of other cranial nerves, right side |
| Injury of other cranial nerves, unspecified side |
| Injury of trigeminal nerve, left side |
| Injury of trigeminal nerve, right side |
| Injury of trigeminal nerve, unspecified side |
| Injury of trochlear nerve, left side |
| Injury of trochlear nerve, right side |
| Injury of trochlear nerve, unspecified side |
| Injury of unspecified cranial nerve |
| Injury of visual cortex, left side |
| Injury of visual cortex, right side |
| Injury of visual cortex, unspecified side |
| Injury to facial nerve, left side |
| Injury to facial nerve, right side |
| Injury to facial nerve, unspecified side |
| Intracranial abscess and granuloma |
| Intracranial and intrasinal phlebitis and thrombophlebitis |
| Laceration of muscle and tendon of head |
| Localization-related (focal)(partial) symptomatic epilepsy and epileptic syndromes with complex partial seizures, intractable |
| Localization-related (focal)(partial) symptomatic epilepsy and epileptic syndromes with complex partial seizures, not intractable |
| Localization-related (focal)(partial) symptomatic epilepsy and epileptic syndromes with simple partial seizures, intractable |
| Localization-related (focal)(partial) symptomatic epilepsy and epileptic syndromes with simple partial seizures, not intractable |

| Description |
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| Malignant neoplasm of brain |
| Malignant neoplasm of head, face, and neck |
| Meglaencephaly |
| Meningitis |
| Microcephaly |
| Multiple Sclerosis |
| Neonatal cerebral depression |
| Neonatal coma |
| Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of the brain |
| Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of the spinal cord |
| Neoplasm of unspecified behavior of the brain |
| Neuroleptic induced parkinsonism |
| Non-follicular lymphoma |
| Nontraumatic intracerebral hemorrhage |
| Nontraumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage |
| Open wound to the head, initial encounter |
| Other and unspecified nontraumatic intracranial hemorrhage |
| Other atypical virus infections of the central nervous system |
| Other cerebrovascular disease |
| Other cerebrovascular vasospasm and vasoconstriction |
| Other drug induced secondary parkinsonism |
| Other epilepsy, intractable, without status epilepticus |
| Other epilepsy, not intractable, without status epilepticus |
| Other generalized epilepsy and epileptic syndromes, intractable |
| Other generalized epilepsy and epileptic syndromes, not intractable |
| Other injury of left middle and inner ear |
| Other injury of muscle and tendon of head |
| Other injury of right middle and inner ear |
| Other injury of unspecified middle and inner ear |
| Other lack of coordination |
| Other malformations of cerebral vessels |
| Other reuction deformities of brain |
| Other sapecified brain damage due to birth injury |
| Other secondary parkinsonism |
| Other specified congenital malformations of the brain |
| Other specified degenerative diseases of basdal ganglia |
| Other Specified degenerative diseases of nervous system |
| Other specified degenerative disorders of nervous system in disease classified elsewhere |
| Other specified injuries of head |
| Other specified intracranial injuries, initial encounter |
| Other transient cerebral ischemic attacks and related syndromes |
| Other viral encephalitis |
| Otorrhagia |

| Description |
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| Parkinson's disease |
| Personal history of traumatic brain injury |
| Post traumatic seizures |
| Post-traumatic hydrocephalus |
| Postviral fatigue syndrome |
| Presence of cerebrospinal fluid drainage |
| Presense of cerebrospinal fluid drainage device |
| Pressure Ulcer of Head, Stage 4 |
| Pressure Ulcer, Stage 4 |
| Primary blast injury of ear, bilateral |
| Primary blast injury of left ear |
| Primary blast injury of right ear |
| Primary blast injury of unspecified ear |
| Progressive supranuclear ophthalmoplegia |
| Pulmonary cryptococcosis |
| Sarcoidosis of other sites |
| Secondary malignant neoplasm of the brain |
| Spina bifida with hydrocephalus |
| Stereotyuped movement disorder(s) |
| Striatonigral degeneration |
| Subluxation complex (vertebral) of head |
| Symptomatic neurosyphillis |
| Systemic lupus erythematosus, organ or system involmment unspecified |
| Transietn cerebral ischemic attack |
| Traumatic Cataract |
| Traumatic cerebral edema, initial encounter |
| Traumatic hemorrhage of cerebrum, initial encounter |
| Traumatic rupture of left ear drum |
| Traumatic rupture of right ear drum |
| Traumatic Rupture of unspecified ear drum |
| Traumatic Shock, Initial encounter |
| Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage, initial encounter |
| Traumatic subdural hemorrhage, initial encounter |
| Unspecified brain damage due to birth injury |
| Unspecified convulsions |
| Unspecified dementia |
| Unspecified injury of head |
| Unspecified injury of left eye and orbit |
| Unspecified injury of left middle and inner ear |
| Unspecified injury of muscle and tendon of head |
| Unspecified injury of right eye and orbit |
| Unspecified injury of right middle and inner ear |
| Unspecified injury of unspecified eye and orbit |

| Description |
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| Unspecified injury of unspecified middle and inner ear |
| Unspecified intracranial injury, initial encounter |
| Unspecified viral encephalitis |
| Unspecified viral infection of the central nervous system |
| Vascular dementia |
| Vascular headache, not elsewhere specified |
| Verebro-basilar artery syndrome |
| Vestibular neuronitis, bilateral |
| Viral meningitis |

Contact Information

Hospital Program Officer – 406-444-4834

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