

Oregon Survey Instrument

Cancer Genetic Insurance Questions for Insurers

Q1a. Do you have written policies on your coverage of cancer genetic testing, counseling, and follow-up procedures for breast and ovarian cancer? [If yes, can we get a copy?]

- Yes, can get a copy of written policies
- Have written policies, but won't release copies
- No, no written policies

Q1b. Do you have written policies on your coverage of cancer genetic testing, counseling, and follow-up procedures for colorectal cancer? [If yes, can we get a copy?]

- Yes, can get a copy of written policies
- Have written policies, but won't release copies
- No, no written policies

IF Q1a and Q1b = YES → Q16 [Other Questions]

IF Q1a = NO or Won't Release → Q2 [Breast and Ovarian Cancer Coverage Policies]

IF Q1b = NO or Won't Release → Q9 [Colorectal Cancer Coverage Policies]

Breast and Ovarian Cancer Coverage Policies

Q2. Do you ever cover BRCA testing for people without cancer?

- Yes [What is your coverage policy?] _____
- No [Why not?] _____

Q3. Do you ever cover BRCA testing for people with cancer?

- Yes [What is your coverage policy]? _____
- No [Why not?] _____

IF Q2 or Q3 = "PRIOR AUTHORIZATION" → Q4

IF Q2 and Q3 = YES and ≠ "PRIOR AUTHORIZATION" → Q5

IF Q2 and Q3 = NO → Q6

Q4. What is the process for prior authorization? _____

- a) What does the patient have to do to apply for prior authorization?
- b) Who makes the final determination?
- c) What standards or guidelines, if any, are used in making prior authorization decisions?

Q5. Do you ever cover pre- or post- genetic counseling for BRCA testing?

- Yes [What is your coverage policy?] _____
- No [IF NO → Q6]

Q5a. Is pre- and post-genetic counseling a requirement for getting BRCA testing?

- Yes
- No

Q6. Do you ever cover genetic counseling for patients with increased familial risk of breast or ovarian cancer, without BRCA testing?

- Yes [What is your coverage policy?] _____
- No

IF Q5 or Q6 = YES → Q7

IF Q5 and Q6 = NO → Q8

Q7. Which types of professionals are covered for genetic counseling related to BRCA and breast and ovarian cancer? _____

Q8. What screening and prophylactic procedures are covered for...

A. BRCA Positive patients?

- Mammography, Breast MRI, other screening technologies at younger ages and/or shorter intervals than recommended for women at average risk for breast cancer _____
- Bilateral mastectomy _____
- Relevant ovarian cancer screening, such as CA-125 and vaginal ultrasound _____
- Hysterectomy and bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy _____
- Chemoprophylaxis _____
- Other: _____

B. Patients with increased familial risk of breast or ovarian cancer, but had no BRCA test, a result of BRCA Negative, or a result of variants of uncertain significance?

- Mammography, Breast MRI, other screening technologies at younger ages and/or shorter intervals than recommended for women at average risk for breast cancer _____
- Bilateral mastectomy _____
- Relevant ovarian cancer screening, such as CA-125 and vaginal ultrasound _____
- Hysterectomy and bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy _____
- Chemoprophylaxis _____
- Other: _____

Colorectal Cancer Coverage Policies

Q9. Do you ever cover any genetic testing related to colorectal cancer for people without cancer?

- Yes [What is your coverage policy?] _____
- No [Why not?] _____

Q10. Do you ever cover any genetic testing related to colorectal cancer for people with cancer?

- Yes [What is your coverage policy?] _____
- No [Why not?] _____

IF Q9 or Q10 = "PRIOR AUTHORIZATION" → Q11

IF Q9 and Q10 = YES and ≠ "PRIOR AUTHORIZATION" → Q12

IF Q2 and Q3 = NO → Q13

Q11. What is the process for prior authorization? _____

- a) What does the patient have to do to apply for prior authorization?
- b) Who makes the final determination?
- c) What standards or guidelines, if any, are used in making prior authorization decisions?

Q12. Do you ever cover pre- or post- genetic counseling for MMR testing?

- Yes [What is your coverage policy?] _____
- No

Q12a. Is pre- and post-genetic counseling a requirement for getting MMR testing?

- Yes
- No

Q13. Do you ever cover genetic counseling for patients with increased familial risk of colorectal cancer, without MMR testing?

- Yes [What is your coverage policy?] _____
- No

IF Q12 or Q13 = YES → Q14

IF Q12 and Q13 = NO → Q15

Q14. Which types of professionals are covered for genetic counseling related to MMR and colorectal cancer? _____

Q15. What screening and prophylactic procedures are covered for...

A. MMR Positive patients?

- Colonoscopy, FOBT, sigmoidoscopy, or other colorectal screening procedures at younger ages and/or shorter intervals than recommended for people at average risk for colorectal cancer

- Colectomy or other relevant intestinal surgeries _____
- Chemoprophylaxis _____
- Other: _____

B. Patients with increased familial risk of colorectal cancer, but had no MMR test, MMR Negative results, or variants of uncertain significance?

- Colonoscopy, FOBT, sygmoidoscopy, or other colorectal screening procedures at younger ages and/or shorter intervals than recommended for people at average risk for colorectal cancer

- Colectomy or other relevant intestinal surgeries _____
- Chemoprophylaxis _____
- Other: _____

Other Questions

Q16. Are your coverage policies for breast and ovarian cancer screening, genetic testing and counseling, and prophylactic procedures for high-risk patients based on any specific guidelines?

- Breast and ovarian cancer screening
 - Yes [Which guidelines?]: _____
 - No [How are coverage policies determined?]: _____
- Genetic testing and counseling for BOC
 - Yes [Which guidelines?]: _____
 - No [How are coverage policies determined?]: _____
- Prophylactic procedures for high-risk patients
 - Yes [Which guidelines?]: _____
 - No [How are coverage policies determined?]: _____

Q17. Are your coverage policies for colorectal cancer screening, genetic testing and counseling, and prophylactic procedures for high-risk patients based on any specific guidelines?

- Colorectal cancer screening
 - Yes [Which guidelines?]: _____
 - No [How are coverage policies determined?]: _____
- Genetic testing and counseling for CC
 - Yes [Which guidelines?]: _____
 - No [How are coverage policies determined?]: _____
- Prophylactic procedures for high-risk patients
 - Yes [Which guidelines?]: _____
 - No [How are coverage policies determined?]: _____

IF R = INSURANCE COMPANY → Q21

IF R = SELF-INSURER → Q18, Q19, Q20

Q18. Are there any differences in coverage policies, costs, or reimbursements for people in rural areas? [I.e., coverage for different types of counseling professionals, additional cost reimbursements for travel, or subsidies for out-of-network providers, or an expanded set of procedures allowed to be performed by general practitioners]

- Yes [What are the differences? What plans do we need to gather data for?] _____
- No

Q19. Is your insurance plan administered by a health care company, or is it a direct-pay system?

- Administered by HCP [Which company?] _____
- Direct-pay system

Q20. Are the policies for your plan determined by corporate offices outside of Oregon?

- Yes [Does the company have an “umbrella” policy that covers all US employees?] _____
- No [Who determines the policies for your company insurance plan?] _____

IF R = SELF-INSURER → Q22

Q21. Do any of these coverage policies vary across different insurance plans offered by your company?

[This is independent of varying co-pays or costs across plans]

- Yes [Identify different plans to gather data for] _____
- No

Q22. Do you anticipate any changes being made to your current policies on preventative services related to genetic risk for cancer to comply with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act?

- Yes [What changes do you anticipate?] _____
- No

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Comments: _____

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