

2007 Organ/Tissue Transplants and Diagnoses:

Table 1: Required Coverage

I. Solid Organ Transplants: Subject to Medical Necessity	Reference
Cornea	Call Letter 92-09
Heart	Call Letter 92-09
Heart-lung	Call Letter 92-09
Kidney	Call Letter 92-09
Liver	Call Letter 92-09
Pancreas	Call Letter 92-09
Intestinal transplants (small intestine) and the small intestine with the liver or small intestine with multiple organs such as the liver, stomach, and pancreas	Carrier Letter 2001-18
Lung: Single/double	Carrier Letter 91-08
II. Blood or Marrow Stem Cell Transplants: Not Subject to Medical Necessity. Plan's Denial is Limited to the Staging of the Diagnosis (e.g. acute, chronic).	
Allogeneic transplants for:	
Acute lymphocytic or non-lymphocytic (i.e., myelogenous) leukemia	
Advanced Hodgkin's lymphoma	
Advanced non-Hodgkin's lymphoma	
Chronic myelogenous leukemia	
Severe combined immunodeficiency	
Severe or very severe aplastic anemia	
Autologous transplants for:	
Acute lymphocytic or nonlymphocytic (i.e., myelogenous) leukemia	Call Letter 96-08B
Advanced Hodgkin's lymphoma	Call Letter 96-08B
Advanced neuroblastoma	Call Letter 96-08B
Advanced non-Hodgkin's lymphoma	Call Letter 96-08B
Autologous tandem transplants for:	
Recurrent germ cell tumors (including testicular cancer)	Call Letter 2002-14
III. Blood or Marrow Stem Cell Transplants: Not Subject to Medical Necessity	
Allogeneic transplants for:	
Phagocytic deficiency diseases (e.g., Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)	
Autologous transplants for:	
Multiple myeloma	Carrier Letter 94-23, Call Letter 96-08B

Testicular, Mediastinal, Retroperitoneal, and Ovarian germ cell tumors	Carrier Letter 94-23, Call Letter 96-08B
IV. Blood or Marrow Stem Cell Transplants: Not Subject to Medical Necessity. May Be Limited to Clinical Trials.	
Autologous transplants for:	
Breast cancer	Carrier Letter 94-23 Call Letter 96-08B
Epithelial ovarian cancer	Carrier Letter 94-23 Call Letter 96-08B

Table 2: Recommended For Coverage. Transplants Under Clinical Trials

	Does your plan cover this transplant for 2007?	
	Yes	No
Blood or Marrow Stem Cell Transplants		
Allogeneic transplants for:		
Chronic lymphocytic leukemia		
Early stage (indolent or non-advanced) small cell lymphocytic lymphoma		
Multiple myeloma		
Nonmyeloablative allogeneic transplants for:		
Acute lymphocytic or non-lymphocytic (i.e., myelogenous) leukemia		
Advanced forms of myelodysplastic syndromes		
Advanced Hodgkin's lymphoma		
Advanced non-Hodgkin's lymphoma		
Breast cancer		
Chronic lymphocytic leukemia		
Chronic myelogenous leukemia		
Colon cancer		
Early stage (indolent or non-advanced) small cell lymphocytic lymphoma		
Multiple myeloma		
Myeloproliferative disorders		
Non-small cell lung cancer		
Ovarian cancer		
Prostate cancer		
Renal cell carcinoma		
Sarcomas		
Autologous transplants for:		
Chronic lymphocytic leukemia		
Chronic myelogenous leukemia		
Early stage (indolent or non-advanced) small cell lymphocytic lymphoma		
Autologous transplants for the following autoimmune diseases:		
Multiple sclerosis		
Systemic lupus erythematosus		
Systemic sclerosis		

Table 3: Recommended For Coverage

Solid Organ Transplants	Does your plan cover this transplant for 2007?	
	Yes?	No?
Autologous pancreas islet cell transplant (as an adjunct to total or near total pancreatectomy) only for patients with chronic pancreatitis		
Lung: Lobar		
Blood or Marrow Stem Cell Transplants		
Allogeneic transplants for:		
Advanced forms of myelodysplastic syndromes		
Advanced neuroblastoma		
Infantile malignant osteopetrosis		
Kostmann's syndrome		
Leukocyte adhesion deficiencies		
Mucopolysaccharidosis (e.g., Gaucher's disease, metachromatic leukodystrophy, adrenoleukodystrophy)		
Mucopolysaccharidosis (e.g., Hunter's syndrome, Hurler's syndrome, Sanfilippo's syndrome, Maroteaux-Lamy syndrome variants)		
Myeloproliferative disorders		
Sickle cell anemia		
Thalassemia major (homozygous beta-thalassemia)		
X-linked lymphoproliferative syndrome		
Autologous transplants for:		
Amyloidosis		
Ependyoblastoma		
Ewing's sarcoma		
Medulloblastoma		
Pineoblastoma		