

Medicare Administrative Contractor Jurisdiction 4 Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)

J4 LCD Web Page

TrailBlazer ID No.	Title of LCD(s)	Origin	Medicare Coverage Database (MCD) ID No.
4X-48AB	3D Interpretation and Reporting of Imaging Studies	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26740
4H-14AB	Allergen Immunotherapy	Adopt NAS LCD with deletion of numerous covered diagnoses (that are not consistent with medical necessity under 1862(a)(1)(A).	L26823
4H-15AB	Allergy Skin Testing	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26791
4T-2AB	Ambulance Services (Ground Ambulance)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26738
4S-134AB	Application of Bioengineered Skin Substitutes: Ulcers (of Lower Extremities)	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26731
4L-112AB	Assays for Vitamins and Metabolic Function	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4. Modify the Folic acid section to reflect the lesser restrictive aspects of the NAS LCD.	L26826
4C-58AB	Automatic Implantable Cardiac Defibrillator (AICD)	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26500
4S-155AB	Bariatric Surgical Management of Morbid Obesity	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26758
4F-65AB	Barium Swallow Studies, Modified	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26594
4Y-25AB	Biofeedback for the Treatment of Urinary Incontinence	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26779
4O-70AB	Blepharoplasty	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4 with addition of one ICD-9-CM code from NAS LCD.	L26827

TrailBlazer ID No.	Title of LCD(s)	Origin	Medicare Coverage Database (MCD) ID No.
4X-60AB	Bone Mass Measurement (BMM)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26584
4I-84AB	Botulinum Toxin Types A and B	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26765
4R-21AB	Brachytherapy: Non-Intracoronary	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26834
4C-50AB	Cardiac Catheterization	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26529
4X-53AB	Cardiac Computed Tomography (CCT)	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26751
4C-56AB	Cardiac Event Detection (CED) Monitoring	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26748
4C-61AB	Cardiac Output Monitoring by Electrical Bioimpedance	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26495
4C-62AB	Cardiac Rehabilitation	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26504
4C-49AB	Cardiac Rhythm Device Evaluation	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26484
4C-57AB	Cardiovascular Nuclear Medicine	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26583
4C-55AB	Cardiovascular Stress Testing	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26582
4O-53AB	Cataract Extraction (Including Complex Cataract Surgery)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26793
4I-85AB	Chelation Therapy	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26766
4N-6B	Chiropractic Services	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4 with the addition of NAS diagnosis codes.	L26631
4F-73AB	Colonoscopy, Diagnostic	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26818
4I-86AB	Colony Stimulating Factors	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26768
4Y-23AB	Complex Decongestive Physiotherapy (CDP) for Lymphedema	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26710
4X-51AB	Computed Tomography (CT) Colonography	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD provisions for CT colonography and create a separate policy for these services for J4.	L26745
4S-152AB	Cryosurgical and Radiofrequency Ablation of Hepatic Tumors	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26698
4F-64AB	Cystourethroscopy	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26507

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4L-102AB	Cytogenetic Studies	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26803
4X-55AB	Diagnostic Abdominal Aortography and Renal Angiography	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26755
4I-92AB	Drugs and Biologicals – Chemotherapeutic Drugs	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26746
4I-81AB	Drugs and Biologicals, Non-Chemotherapeutic	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26756
4C-53AB	Electrocardiogram (ECG or EKG)	Adopt NAS LCD (limited coverage) but modified to include the TrailBlazer narrative indications and limitations.	L26535
4F-68AB	Electrodiagnostic Studies (NCS/EMG)	Adopt TrailBlazer policy for J4.	L26776
4C-60AB	Electrophysiologic Studies, Intracardiac	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26470
4S-147AB	Endovascular Repair for Descending Thoracic Aneurysm (DTA)	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26725
4O-63AB	Extended Ophthalmoscopy	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26784
4C-59AB	External Counterpulsation (ECP)	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26828
4L-103AB	Flow Cytometry	Adopt NAS LCD with limited coverage list that includes all codes from both NAS and TrailBlazer LCDs.	L26812
4O-60AB	Fluorescein Angiography	Adopt NAS LCD for J4 with selected ICD-9-CM codes from TrailBlazer and Pinnacle added.	L26792
4L-100AB	Free Prostate-Specific Antigen Testing	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26822
4L-107AB	Frequency of Laboratory Tests	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26817
4Z-17A	Frequency of Dialysis	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26781

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4O-59AB	Fundus Photography	Adopt NAS policy for J4. NAS policy is silent regarding the use of fundus photography as a substitute for dilated fundus examination. As this is an important patient safety and quality of care issue, a distillate statement from the other two policies was added.	L26810
4L-109AB	Genetic Testing	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26824
4O – 54AB	Gonioscopy	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26804
4R-20AB	Grenz Ray Treatment	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26831
4L-105AB	Helicobacter Pylori Testing	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26814
4I-94AB	Hemophilia Clotting Factors	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26775
4C-48AB	Holter Monitoring	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26521
4I-87AB	Hyaluronate Polymers	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26760
4M-30AB	Hyperbaric Oxygen (HBO) Therapy	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26598
4I-83AB	Immunizations	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26762
4M-29AB	Implantable Infusion Pump	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26597
4O-61AB	Indocyanine Green	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26787
4L-111AB	Infectious Disease Molecular Diagnostic Testing	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26777
4I-88AB	Infliximab	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26783
4M-31AB	Injections, Therapeutic Local	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26600
4R-22AB	Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26833
4C-54AB	Interventional Cardiology	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26543
4F-70AB	Intraoperative Neurophysiological Monitoring	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26800

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4I-82AB	Intravenous Immune Globulin (IVIG)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26774
4O-64AB	Lacrimal Punctum Closure	Adopt amalgamation of Pinnacle and TrailBlazer LCDs for J4 (TrailBlazer LCD with addition of Pinnacle limited coverage and deletion of dilation procedure codes and associated limited coverage.)	L26786
4I-89AB	Leucovorin Calcium (Citrovorum Factor™)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26785
4I-90AB	Luteinizing Hormone-Releasing Hormone (LHRH) Analogs	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26757
4X-56AB	Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA) of the Head and Neck, Chest, Abdomen and Pelvis, Lower Extremities	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26763
4S-151AB	Mammoplasty, Reduction	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26720
4X-61AB	Mammography, Diagnostic	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26764
4S-139AB	Mohs' Micrographic Surgery (MMS)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26733
4A-12AB	Monitored Anesthesia Care	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26520
4F-74AB	Motion Analysis Studies	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26819
4X-57AB	MRI and CT Scans of the Brain and Its Associated Structures	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26754
4X-62AB	MRI and CT Scans of the Spine	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26770
4X-58AB	MRI and CT Scans of Thorax and Chest	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4 and integrate noted Noridian diagnosis codes for a comprehensive policy.	L26732
4X-47AB	MRI of a Joint	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26736
4P-8AB	Nail Avulsion	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26633
4F-71AB	Neurophysiological Studies	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26813
4S-141AB	Non-Coronary Vascular Stents	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26728
4Z-18AB	Non-Covered Services	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26811

TrailBlazer ID No.	Title of LCD(s)	Origin	Medicare Coverage Database (MCD) ID No.
4U-19AB	Non-Invasive Cerebrovascular Studies	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26744
4U-20AB	Non-Invasive Peripheral Arterial Studies	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26747
4U-21AB	Non-Invasive Venous Studies	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26749
4O-55AB	Ophthalmic A and B Scans	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26806
4O-65AB	Ophthalmological Services, General and Diagnostic	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26790
4Q-31AB	Oral Maxillofacial Prosthesis	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26667
4Y-22AB	Outpatient Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26832
4Y-22AB-attachment	Outpatient Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	Limited Coverage (Procedure to Diagnosis Coding) List for LCD referenced above.	L26832
4Y-20A	Outpatient Pulmonary Rehabilitation	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26724
4F-69AB	Oximetry Services	Adopt an integrated NAS LCD for J4 and rename as "Oximetry Services."	L26796
4O-62AB	Pachymetry	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26788
4S-149AB	Pain Management	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26743
4O-68AB	Panretinal Photocoagulation	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26805
4V-17A	Partial Hospitalization Psychiatric (PHP) Programs	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26767
4O-56AB	Photodynamic Therapy with Verteporfin (Visudyne®)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26808
4F-63AB	Polysomnography and Sleep Studies	Adopt TrailBlazer policy for J4.	L26830
4X-54AB	Positron Emission Tomography (PET)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26753
4V-18B	Psychiatric Codes	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26769
4F-60AB	Pulmonary Function Testing	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26829
4F-62AB	Pulmonary Stress Testing	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26497
4R-23AB	Radiation Oncology: External Beam/Teletherapy	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26839

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4X-63AB	Radionucleotide Scanning Using Recombinant Human Thyrotropin	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26730
4X-50AB	Radiopharmaceuticals: Monoclonal Antibodies, Diagnostic	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26742
4S-140AB	Removal of Benign and Malignant Skin Lesions	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26734
4Y-21AB	Respiratory Therapy	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26722
4C-47AB	Risk Stratification for Ventricular Arrhythmia Using T-Wave Alternans Testing	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26479
4P-7AB	Routine Foot Care/Mycotic Nail Debridement	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4 but include diagnosis codes from NAS LCD.	L26617
4S-154AB	Sacral Nerve Stimulation for Urinary Incontinence	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26702
4O-69AB	Scanning Laser Glaucoma Tests	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26807
4O-66AB	Serial Tonometry	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26795
4F-75AB	Special Electroencephalography (EEG)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26820
4S-146AB	Spinal Cord Stimulation (Dorsal Column Stimulation)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26741
4R-24AB	Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26835
4R-25AB	Stereotactic Radiosurgery	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26838
4S-137AB	Thermotherapies (Minimally Invasive Surgical Techniques (MISTs) for Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26715
4X-59AB	Thoracic Aortography and Carotid, Vertebral and Subclavian Angiography	Adopt Pinnacle policy for J4.	L26727
4I-91AB	Thrombolytic Agents	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26772
4Y-24AB	Transcatheter Therapy – Other Than Thrombolysis, Chemotherapy or Embolization	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26778

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4C-51AB	Transesophageal Echocardiography (TEE)	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26723
4C-52AB	Transthoracic Echocardiography (TTE)	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26534
4S-144AB	Treatment of Varicose Veins in Lower Extremities	Adopt LCD from TrailBlazer for J4 with the three additional limited coverage codes from NAS.	L26729
4L-110AB	Troponin	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26825
4U-22AB	Ultrasound, Abdominal and Retroperitoneal	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26750
4S-133AB	Upper Gastrointestinal Endoscopy and Upper Gastrointestinal Endoscopy With Ultrasound	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26739
4F-66AB	Urodynamics	Adopt NAS LCD for J4	L26595
4S-138AB	UroLume Endoprosthesis	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26717
4S-143AB	Vagus Nerve Stimulation	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26726
4S-142AB	Vascular Access for Hemodialysis	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26737
4X-49AB	Vertebral Fracture Assessment (VFA)	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4. Leave as a separate policy from BMM.	L26761
4S-153AB	Vertebroplasty, Kyphoplasty; Percutaneous	Adopt NAS LCD for J4.	L26701
4F-67AB	Vestibular and Audiologic Function Tests	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26596
4O-67AB	Visual Field Examinations	Adopt NAS LCD for J4 MAC with added non-covered codes and frequency limitations from TrailBlazer LCD.	L26799
4O-57AB	Vitrectomy in Conjunction With Cataract Surgery	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26809
4L-108AB	Wet Mounts	Adopt Pinnacle LCD for J4.	L26821
4F-72AB	Wireless Capsule Endoscopy	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD provisions for Wireless Capsule Endoscopy and create a separate LCD for these services for J4.	L26816
4S-150AB	Wound Care	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4.	L26721

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4O-58AB	YAG Capsulotomy	Adopt TrailBlazer LCD for J4. Add one ICD-9-CM code (366.51) from NAS LCD not contained in TrailBlazer LCD.	L26773