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Policy Name: Thyroid Testing in Pediatrics	Page: 1 of 1
Department: Medical Policy & Program Solutions	
Subsection:	Effective Date: 12/01/2020
Applies to: Aetna Better Health of Illinois	

PURPOSE: Per Aetna Better Health of Illinois Policy, Insulin/Thyroid testing is not payable for pediatric patients for diagnoses of obesity or screening.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVE/OVERVIEW:

Insulin/thyroid testing is not indicated for pediatric patients when the diagnosis is obesity or screening.

DEFINITIONS:

Thyroid function tests	<u>Thyroid function</u> tests are a series of <u>blood tests</u> used to measure how well your thyroid gland is working. Available tests include the T3, T3RU, T4, and TSH.
Pediatrics	The Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) defines pediatric patients as persons aged 21 or younger at the time of their diagnosis or treatment.

LEGAL/CONTRACT REFERENCE:

Review/Revision History	