

**CareFirst BCBS Health Plan**  
**Prior Authorization Procedure List: Joint Surgery**

Product	Category	CPT® Code	CPT® Code Description	Prior Authorization Required?	Effective Date
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23000	Removal Of Subdeltoid Calcareous Deposits, Open	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23020	Capsular Contracture Release (Eg, Sever Type Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23120	Claviculectomy; Partial	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23130	Acromioplasty Or Acromionectomy, Partial, With Or Without Coracoacromial Ligament Release	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23410	Repair Of Ruptured Musculotendinous Cuff (Eg, Rotator Cuff) Open; Acute	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23412	Repair Of Ruptured Musculotendinous Cuff (Eg, Rotator Cuff) Open; Chronic	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23415	Coracoacromial Ligament Release, With Or Without Acromioplasty	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23420	Reconstruction Of Complete Shoulder (Rotator) Cuff Avulsion, Chronic (Includes Acromioplasty)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23430	Tenodesis Of Long Tendon Of Biceps	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23440	Resection Or Transplantation Of Long Tendon Of Biceps	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23450	Capsulorrhaphy, Anterior; Putti-Platt Procedure Or Magnuson Type Operation	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23455	Capsulorrhaphy, Anterior; With Labral Repair (Eg, Bankart Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23460	Capsulorrhaphy, Anterior, Any Type; With Bone Block	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23462	Capsulorrhaphy, Anterior, Any Type; With Coracoid Process Transfer	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23465	Capsulorrhaphy, Glenohumeral Joint, Posterior, With Or Without Bone Block	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23466	Capsulorrhaphy, Glenohumeral Joint, Any Type Multi-Directional Instability	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23470	Arthroplasty, Glenohumeral Joint; Hemiarthroplasty	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23472	Arthroplasty, Glenohumeral Joint; Total Shoulder [Glenoid And Proximal Humeral Replacement (E.G., Total Shoulder)]	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23473	Revision Of Total Shoulder Arthroplasty, Including Allograft When Performed; Humeral Or Glenoid Component	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23474	Revision Of Total Shoulder Arthroplasty, Including Allograft When Performed; Humeral And Glenoid Component	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	23700	Manipulation under anesthesia, shoulder joint, including application of fixation apparatus (dislocation excluded)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27125	Hemiarthroplasty, Hip, Partial (E.G., Femoral Stem Prosthesis, Bipolar Arthroplasty)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27130	Arthroplasty, Acetabular And Proximal Femoral Prosthetic Replacement (Total Hip Arthroplasty), With Or Without Autograft Or Allograft	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27132	Conversion Of Previous Hip Surgery To Total Hip Arthroplasty, With Or Without Autograft Or Allograft	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27134	Revision Of Total Hip Arthroplasty; Both Components, With Or Without Autograft Or Allograft	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27137	Revision Of Total Hip Arthroplasty; Acetabular Component Only, With Or Without Autograft Or Allograft	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27138	Revision Of Total Hip Arthroplasty; Femoral Component Only, With Or Without Autograft Or Allograft	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27332	Arthrotomy, With Excision Of Semilunar Cartilage (Meniscectomy) Knee; Medial OR Lateral	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27333	Arthrotomy, With Excision Of Semilunar Cartilage (Meniscectomy) Knee; Medial AND Lateral	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27334	Arthrotomy, With Synovectomy, Knee; Anterior OR Posterior	Yes	10/22/2025

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Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27335	Arthrotomy, With Synovectomy, Knee;Anterior AND Posterior Including Popliteal Area	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27403	Arthrotomy With Meniscus Repair, Knee	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27405	Repair, primary, torn ligament and/or capsule, knee; collateral	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27412	Autologous Chondrocyte Implantation, Knee	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27415	Osteochondral Allograft, Knee, Open	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27416	Osteochondral Autograft(S), Knee, Open (Eg, Mosaicplasty) (Includes Harvesting Of Autograft[S])	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27418	Anterior Tibial Tubercleplasty (Eg, Maquet Type Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27420	Reconstruction Of Dislocating Patella; (Eg, Hauser Type Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27422	Reconstruction Of Dislocating Patella;With Extensor Realignment And/Or Muscle Advancement Or Release (Eg, Campbell, Goldwaite Type Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27424	Reconstruction Of Dislocating Patella;With Patellectomy	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27425	Lateral Retinacular Release, Open	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27427	Ligamentous Reconstruction (Augmentation), Knee; Extra-Articular	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27428	Ligamentous Reconstruction (Augmentation), Knee;Intra-Articular (Open)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27429	Ligamentous Reconstruction (Augmentation), Knee;Intra-Articular (Open) And Extra-Articular	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27430	Quadricepsplasty (Eg, Bennett Or Thompson Type)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27438	Arthroplasty, Patella; With Prosthesis	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27440	Arthroplasty, Knee, Tibial Plateau	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27441	Arthroplasty, Knee, Tibial Plateau; With Debridement And Partial Synovectomy	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27442	Arthroplasty, Femoral Condyles Or Tibial Plateau(S), Knee; With Debridement And Partial Synovectomy	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27443	Arthroplasty, Femoral Condyles Or Tibial Plateau(S), Knee; With Debridement And Partial Synovectomy	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27446	Arthroplasty, Knee, Condyle And Plateau; Medial Or Lateral Compartment	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27447	Arthroplasty, Knee, Condyle And Plateau; Medial And Lateral Compartments With Or Without Patella Resurfacing (Total Knee Arthroplasty)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27486	Revision Of Total Knee Arthroplasty, With Or Without Allograft; 1 Component	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27487	Revision Of Total Knee Arthroplasty, With Or Without Allograft; Femoral And Entire Tibial Component	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	27570	Manipulation of knee joint under general anesthesia (includes application of traction or other fixation devices)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29805	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Diagnostic, With Or Without Synovial Biopsy (Separate Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29806	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Surgical; Capsulorrhaphy	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29807	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Slap Repair	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29819	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Surgical; With Removal Of Loose Body Or Foreign Body	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29820	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Surgical; Synovectomy, Partial	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29821	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Surgical; Synovectomy, Complete	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29822	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Surgical; Debridement, Limited	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29823	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Surgical; Debridement, Extensive	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29824	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Surgical; Distal Claviclectomy Including Distal Articular Surface (Mumford Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29825	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Surgical; With Lysis And Resection Of Adhesions, With Or Without Manipulation	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29826	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Surgical; Decompression Of Subacromial Space With Partial Acromioplasty, With Coracoacromial Ligament (Ie, Arch) Release, When Performed (List Separately In Addition To Code For Primary Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29827	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Surgical; With Rotator Cuff Repair	Yes	10/22/2025

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Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29828	Arthroscopy, Shoulder, Biceps Tenodesis	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29860	Arthroscopy, Hip, Diagnostic, With Or Without Synovial Biopsy (Separate Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29861	Arthroscopy, Hip, Surgical; With Removal Of Loose Body Or Foreign Body	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29862	Arthroscopy, Hip, Surgical; With Debridement/Shaving Of Articular Cartilage (Chondroplasty), Abrasion Arthroplasty, And/Or Resection Of Labrum	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29863	Arthroscopy, Hip, Surgical; With Synovectomy	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29866	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; Osteochondral Autograft(S) (Eg, Mosaicplasty) (Includes Harvesting Of The Autograft[S])	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29867	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; Osteochondral Allograft (Eg, Mosaicplasty)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29868	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; Meniscal Transplantation (Includes Arthrotomy For Meniscal Insertion), Medial Or Lateral	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29870	Arthroscopy, Knee, Diagnostic, With Or Without Synovial Biopsy (Separate Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29871	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; For Infection, Lavage And Drainage	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29873	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; With Lateral Release	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29874	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; For Removal Of Loose Body Or Foreign Body ( Eg Osteochondritis Dissecans Fragmentation, Chondral Fragmentation)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29875	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; Synovectomy, Limited (Eg Plica Or Shelf Resection) (Separate Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29876	Arthroscopy, knee, surgical; synovectomy, major, 2 or more compartments (eg, medial or lateral)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29877	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; Debridement/Shaving Of Articular Cartilage (Chondroplasty)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29879	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; Abrasion Arthroplasty (Includes Chondroplasty Where Necessary) Or Multiple Drilling Or Microfracture	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29880	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; With Meniscectomy (Medial And Lateral, Including Any Meniscal Shaving) Including Debridement/Shaving Of Articular Cartilage (Chondroplasty), Same Or Separate Compartment (S) When Performed	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29881	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; With Meniscectomy (Medial Or Lateral, Including Any Meniscal Shaving) Including Debridement/Shaving Of Articular Cartilage (Chondroplasty), Same Or Separate Compartment (S) When Performed	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29882	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; With Meniscal Repair (Medial Or Lateral)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29883	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; With Meniscal Repair (Medial And Lateral)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29884	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; With Lysis Of Adhesions, With Or Without Manipulation (Separate Procedure)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29885	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; Drilling For Osteochondritis Dissecans With Bone Grafting, With Or Without Internal Fixation (Including Debridement Of Base Of Lesion)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29886	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; Drilling For Intact Osteochondritis Dissecans Lesion	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29887	Arthroscopy, Knee, Surgical; Drilling For Intact Osteochondritis Dissecans Lesion With Internal Fixation	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29888	Arthroscopically Aided Anterior Cruciate Ligament Repair/Augmentation Or Reconstruction	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29889	Arthroscopically Aided Posterior Cruciate Ligament Repair/Augmentation Or Reconstruction	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29914	Arthroscopy, Hip, Surgical; With Femoroplasty (Ie, Treatment Of Cam Lesion)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29915	Arthroscopy, Hip, Surgical; With Acetabuloplasty (Ie, Treatment Of Pincer Lesion)	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	29916	Arthroscopy, Hip, Surgical; With Labral Repair	Yes	10/22/2025
Musculoskeletal	Joint Surgery	S2118	Metal-on-metal total hip resurfacing, including acetabular and femoral components	Yes	10/22/2025

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