



CarePartners of Connecticut Medicare-Approved Facilities List

Certification as a Medicare-approved facility is a requirement for coverage for the following procedures: organ transplants, lung volume reduction surgery (LVRS), carotid artery stenting (CAS) with embolic protection¹, ventricular assist device (VAD) destination therapy, and certain PET scans in Medicare-specified studies.

Reference the CMS website at the specific links in the grid below to determine if a facility is Medicare-approved to perform a particular service.

Service	Website Link
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lung volume reduction surgery (LVRS) • Carotid artery stenting with embolic protection (CAS) • Ventricular Assist Device (VAD) as destination therapy • Certain PET scans in Medicare-specified studies. <p>Effective for dates of service on or after September 25, 2013, CMS no longer requires that covered bariatric surgery procedures be performed in facilities that are certified.</p>	<p>Medicare-approved facilities: https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-General-Information/MedicareApprovedFacilitie/index.html</p>
<p>Organ Transplant Programs*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heart • Intestinal • Lung • Liver • Kidney • Pancreas 	<p>As of February 11, 2019, the List of CMS-Approved Organ Transplant Programs is now available on the Quality, Certification and Oversight Reports (QCOR) website.</p> <p>S&C QCOR Home Page</p> <p>*Transplant Centers can perform any combination of organ transplants for which they are approved</p>

The grid below lists Medicare-approved facilities that are also contracted with CarePartners of Connecticut for organ transplants, lung volume reduction surgery (LVRS), carotid artery stenting (CAS) with embolic protection, and ventricular assist device (VAD) destination therapy. Contact CarePartners of Connecticut Provider Services at 888.341.1508, for contracting status of PET scan providers.

CarePartners of Connecticut will not pay for services rendered at a non-Medicare-approved facility. Members requiring one of the procedures listed below for which there is no CarePartners of Connecticut contracted facility may be covered for services at a Medicare-approved out-of-network facility. This grid is subject to change as CarePartners of Connecticut contracted providers become Medicare-approved. For the most current list of Medicare-approved facilities, access the CMS website at the links provided above.

In addition to the Medicare-approved facility requirement, please refer to the Referrals, Prior Authorizations, and Notifications chapter of the CarePartners of Connecticut [Provider Manual](#) for all Plan referrals, notifications, in-network and out-of-network plan rules. CarePartners of Connecticut care managers work with their medical groups to determine facilities they may wish to refer their members.

¹ This requirement does not apply to CAS performed in a Medicare-covered Category B IDE study or post-approval study.

Service	CarePartners of Connecticut Contracted Providers	Medicare Approval Effective Date
Carotid artery stenting (CAS) with embolic protection	Hartford Hospital	05/23/2005
	Manchester Memorial Hospital	03/09/2016
	MidState Medical Center	08/20/2007
	Stamford Hospital	05/17/2006
	St. Vincent Medical Center	10/27/2005
	The Griffin Hospital	08/31/2005
	The William W. Backus Hospital	04/03/2006
	Waterbury Hospital Health Center	10/29/2007
Heart transplant	Hartford Hospital	09/15/2009
Intestinal/multiversceral transplant	None	N/A
Kidney transplant	Hartford Hospital	09/15/2009
Liver transplant	Hartford Hospital	10/22/2009
Lung transplant	None	N/A
Lung volume reduction surgery	None	N/A
Pancreas transplant	None	N/A
Ventricular assist device (VAD) as destination therapy	Hartford Hospital	5/29/2009

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- October 19, 2020: Document Reviewed, revision and update to disclaimer language to include the following "please refer to the Referrals, Prior Authorizations, and Notifications chapter of the CarePartners of Connecticut Provider Manual for all Plan referrals, notifications, in-network and out-of-network plan rules".