



January 14, 2021

Charles Stemple, DO
Vice President, Health Guidance Organization
Humana Inc.
500 W. Main Street
Louisville, KY 40202

Dear Dr. Stemple:

We are writing on behalf of the undersigned patient organizations to request reversal of Humana's recent policy decision [Policy Number: HCS-0506-010] to refuse coverage for hybrid PET/CT and SPECT/CT procedures on the basis that they are "experimental/ investigational" and "not identified as widely used and generally accepted for the proposed uses as reported in nationally recognized peer-reviewed medical literature."

Numerous clinical studies have demonstrated the effectiveness of these hybrid procedures in diagnosing disease, and their use has been accepted by the American Medical Association, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, and many payers.

Diagnosis is a critical first step in patient care. An accurate diagnosis helps avoid unnecessary and inappropriate treatments, saving both the patient and the payer time and money. It provides peace of mind, helps ensure proper treatment pathways, and in many cases saves lives.

We ask you to reverse this coverage decision and continue providing coverage for these critical scans.

Respectfully,

Go2 Foundation for Lung Cancer
Lymphoma Research Foundation
NorCal CarciNET Community
Pancreatic Cancer Action Network
ThyCa: Thyroid Cancer Survivors Association Inc.
Us TOO Prostate Cancer Education & Support Network
Veterans Prostate Cancer Awareness Inc.
WomenHeart
ZERO – The End of Prostate Cancer