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Crosswalk to CMS Coverage Guidance

The purpose of this crosswalk is to facilitate reference of CMS coverage guidance to some of the services that require Prior Authorization in Medicare Advantage.

Procedure	Medicare Coverage Database Link
Accessories used with a PAP device	LCD - Positive Airway Pressure (PAP) Devices for the Treatment of Obstructive Sleep Apnea (L33718)
Ambulance Services	Medicare Benefit Policy Manual
Ankle-Foot/Knee-Ankle-Foot Orthosis	LCD - Ankle-Foot/Knee-Ankle-Foot Orthosis (L33686)
Application of Skin Substitute Grafts for Treatment of DFU and VLU of Lower Extremities	LCD - Application of Skin Substitute Grafts for Treatment of DFU and VLU of Lower Extremities (L36377)
Assessing Patient's Suitability for Electrical Nerve Stimulation Therapy	NCD - Assessing Patient's Suitability for Electrical Nerve Stimulation Therapy (160.7.1)
Automatic External Defibrillators	LCD - Automatic External Defibrillators (L33690)
Blepharoplasty, Blepharoptosis Repair and Surgical Procedures of the Brow	LCD - Blepharoplasty, Blepharoptosis Repair and Surgical Procedures of the Brow (L34028)
Breast Reconstruction Following Mastectomy	NCD - Breast Reconstruction Following Mastectomy (140.2)

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Chiropractic	Medicare Benefit Policy Manual
Cytogenetic Studies	NCD - Cytogenetic Studies (190.3) (cms.gov)
Molecular Pathology Procedures	LCD - Molecular Pathology Procedures (L34519) (cms.gov)
BRCA1 and BRCA2 Genetic Testing	LCD - BRCA1 and BRCA2 Genetic Testing (L36499) (cms.gov)
Sterilization	NCD - Sterilization (230.3) (cms.gov)
Bariatric Surgery for Treatment of Co-Morbid Conditions Related to Morbid Obesity	NCD - Bariatric Surgery for Treatment of Co-Morbid Conditions Related to Morbid Obesity (100.1) (cms.gov)
Stem Cell Transplantation (Formerly 110.8.1)	NCD - Stem Cell Transplantation (Formerly 110.8.1) (110.23) (cms.gov)
Refractive Keratoplasty	NCD - Refractive Keratoplasty (80.7) (cms.gov)
Heart Transplants	NCD - Heart Transplants (260.9) (cms.gov)
Intestinal and Multi-Visceral Transplantation	NCD - Intestinal and Multi-Visceral Transplantation (260.5) (cms.gov)
Adult Liver Transplantation	NCD - Adult Liver Transplantation (260.1) (cms.gov)
Pancreas Transplants	NCD - Pancreas Transplants (260.3) (cms.gov)
Application of Skin Substitute Grafts for Treatment of DFU and VLU of Lower Extremities	LCD - Application of Skin Substitute Grafts for Treatment of DFU and VLU of Lower Extremities (L36377) (cms.gov)

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Wound Care (see also Surgical Dressings)	LCD - Wound Care (L37166) (cms.gov)
Electrical Stimulation (ES) and Electromagnetic Therapy for the Treatment of Wounds	NCD - Electrical Stimulation (ES) and Electromagnetic Therapy for the Treatment of Wounds (270.1) (cms.gov)
Surgical Dressings (see also Wound Care)	LCD - Surgical Dressings (L33831) (cms.gov)
Negative Pressure Wound Therapy Pumps	LCD - Negative Pressure Wound Therapy Pumps (L33821) (cms.gov)
Cochlear Implantation	NCD - Cochlear Implantation (50.3)
Cold Therapy (pad)	LCD - Cold Therapy (L33735)
Commodes	LCD - Commodes (L33736)
Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) Therapy for Obstructive Sleep Apnea (OSA)	NCD - Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) Therapy For Obstructive Sleep Apnea (OSA) (240.4)
Cosmetics and Reconstructive Surgery	LCD - Cosmetic and Reconstructive Surgery (L38914)
Coverage of Hospice Services	Medicare Benefit Policy Manual
Durable Medical Equipment Reference List	NCD - Durable Medical Equipment Reference List (280.1)

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Procedure	Medicare Coverage Database Link
Electronic Speech Aids	NCD - Electronic Speech Aids (50.2)
Electrotherapy for Treatment of Facial Nerve Paralysis (Bell's Palsy)	NCD - Electrotherapy for Treatment of Facial Nerve Paralysis (Bell's Palsy) (160.15)
External Breast Prostheses	LCD - External Breast Prostheses (L33317)
External Infusion Pumps	LCD - External Infusion Pumps (L33794)
External Breast Prostheses - Policy Article	Article - External Breast Prostheses - Policy Article (A52478)
External Counterpulsation (ECP) Therapy for Severe Angina	NCD - External Counterpulsation (ECP) Therapy for Severe Angina (20.20)
FDG PET for Dementia and Neurodegenerative Diseases	NCD - FDG PET for Dementia and Neurodegenerative Diseases (220.6.13)
Glucose Monitors	LCD - Glucose Monitors (L33822)
Heating Pads and Heat Lamps	LCD - Heating Pads and Heat Lamps (L33784)
Home Blood Glucose Monitors (talking)	NCD - Home Blood Glucose Monitors (40.2)
Home Health Services	Medicare Benefit Policy Manual

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Home Prothrombin Time/International Normalized Ratio (PT/INR) Monitoring for Anticoagulation Management	NCD - Home Prothrombin Time/International Normalized Ratio (PT/INR) Monitoring for Anticoagulation Management (190.11)
Home Use of Oxygen	NCD - Home Use of Oxygen (240.2)
Hospital Beds And Accessories	LCD - Hospital Beds And Accessories (L33820)
Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy	NCD - Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (20.29)
Infusion Pumps	NCD - Infusion Pumps (280.14)
Infrared Therapy Devices	NCD - Infrared Therapy Devices (270.6)
Knee Orthoses	LCD - Knee Orthoses (L33318)
Knee Orthoses - Policy Article	Article - Knee Orthoses - Policy Article (A52465)
Lower Limb Prostheses	LCD - Lower Limb Prostheses (L33787)
Manual Wheelchair Bases	LCD - Manual Wheelchair Bases (L33788)
Mechanical In-exsufflation Devices	LCD - Mechanical In-exsufflation Devices (L33795)
Nebulizers	LCD - Nebulizers (L33370)

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Nebulizers, Inhalation Drugs and Solutions LCD	LCD - Nebulizers (L33370)
Nebulizers, Inhalation Drugs and Solutions Article	Article - Nebulizers - Policy Article (A52466)
Negative Pressure Wound Therapy Pumps	LCD - Negative Pressure Wound Therapy Pumps (L33821)
Oral Appliances for Obstructive Sleep Apnea	LCD - Oral Appliances for Obstructive Sleep Apnea (L33611)
Orthopedic Footwear - Policy Article	Article - Orthopedic Footwear - Policy Article (A52481)
Oxygen Equipment - Policy Article (during travel)	Article - Oxygen and Oxygen Equipment - Policy Article (A52514)
Oximeter	Article - Oxygen and Oxygen Equipment - Policy Article (A52514)
Patient Lifts	LCD - Patient Lifts (L33799)
Pneumatic Compression Devices	NCD - Pneumatic Compression Devices (280.6)
Polysomnography and Sleep Testing	LCD - Polysomnography and Sleep Testing (L33405)
Power Mobility Devices	LCD - Power Mobility Devices (L33789)
Pressure Reducing Support Surfaces - Group 1	LCD - Pressure Reducing Support Surfaces - Group 1 (L33830)

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Pressure Reducing Support Surfaces - Group 2	LCD - Pressure Reducing Support Surfaces - Group 2 (L33642)
Routine Foot Care	LCD - Routine Foot Care (L33941)
Seat Lift	NCD - Seat Lift (280.4)
Seat Lift Mechanisms	LCD - Seat Lift Mechanisms (L33801)
Spinal Orthoses: TLSO and LSO	LCD - Spinal Orthoses: TLSO and LSO (L33790)
Spinal Orthoses: TLSO and LSO - Policy Article	Article - Spinal Orthoses: TLSO and LSO - Policy Article (A52500)
Suction Pumps	LCD - Suction Pumps (L33612)
Surgical Dressings	LCD - Surgical Dressings (L33831)
Therapeutic Shoes for Persons with Diabetes	LCD - Therapeutic Shoes for Persons with Diabetes (L33369)
Therapeutic Shoes for Persons with Diabetes - Policy Article	Article - Therapeutic Shoes for Persons with Diabetes - Policy Article (A52501)
Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation (TENS) for Acute Post-Operative Pain	NCD - Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation (TENS) for Acute Post-Operative Pain (10.2)
Treatment of Chronic Venous Insufficiency of the Lower Extremities	LCD - Treatment of Chronic Venous Insufficiency of the Lower Extremities (L38720)

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Treatment of Kidney Stones	NCD - Treatment of Kidney Stones (230.1)
Vacuum Erection Devices (VED)	LCD - Vacuum Erection Devices (VED) (L34824)
Walkers	LCD - Walkers (L33791)
Wound Care	LCD - Wound Care (L37166)