



Important Provider Notice



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PA Medicare Policy Updates Effective August 1, 2022

An Update for Medicare Providers and Clinicians

Annually Reviewed Medical Policies with Changes

MP-067-MC-PA Non-Invasive Peripheral Venous Studies (L35451)

No changes to clinical criteria. Updated CMS hyperlinks. The following CPT codes have been added to the statement regarding the use of ICD-10-CM code Z09: 36473, 36474, 36482, and 36483. These CPT codes have been added to the asterisk note for "Group 1 for Medical Necessity" under ICD-10-CM codes Asterisk Explanation. Updated Reference Sources section.

MP-056-MC-PA Percutaneous Transluminal Angioplasty (PTA) (NCD 20.7)

Updated ICD-10 diagnosis coding requirements per CMS guidelines. The following codes are approved for PTA of the Carotid Artery Concurrent with Stenting: I63.031, I63.032, I63.033, I63.131, I63.132, I63.133, I63.59, I65.21, I65.22, & I65.23. The following codes are approved for PTA and Stenting of Intracranial Arteries and must be billed along with code I67.2: I63.231, I63.232, I63.23, I65.21, I65.22, I65.23, I66.01, I66.02, I66.03, I66.11, I66.12, I66.13, I66.21, I66.22, I66.23, & I66.8. Code Z00.6 must be applied for Clinical Trial Billing. Updated CMS hyperlinks and Reference Sources section.

MP-078-MC-PA Scanning Computerized Ophthalmic Diagnostic Imaging (L35038)

No changes to clinical criteria. The following ICD-10 codes have been added: H31.21, H31.22, H31.23, and H31.29 to Group 3. Updated CMS hyperlinks and Reference Sources.

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MP-037-MC-PA Pulmonary Rehabilitation (PR)

No changes to clinical criteria. Updated CMS hyperlinks and Reference Sources.

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