Important Provider Notice

August 1, 2023

PA Medicare Policy Updates Effective September 1, 2023

An Update for Medicare Providers and Clinicians

Annually Reviewed Medical Policies without Changes

MP-072-MC-PA Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitor (NCD 20.19)

No changes to clinical criteria. Updated 'Reference Sources' section.

MP-019-MC-PA Bronchial Thermoplasty

No changes to clinical criteria. Updated 'Summary of Literature' and 'Reference Sources' sections.

Retired Policies

MP-074-MC-PA Ambulance Services (Ground) (L35162)

Policy to be retired as CMS LCD/LCA policies were retired as of 02/09/2023.

New Policies

MP-100-MC-PA Controlled Substance Monitoring and Drugs of Abuse Testing (L35006)

Health benefits or health benefit administration may be provided by or through Highmark Wholecare, coverage by Gateway Health Plan, an independent licensee of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association ("Highmark Wholecare").