



Important Provider Notice



May 1, 2024

PA Medicare Policy Updates Effective June 1, 2024

An Update for Medicare Providers and Clinicians

Annually Reviewed Medical Policies with Changes

MP-053-MC-PA Electrocardiographic Services (NCD 20.15)

No changes to clinical criteria. Updated CMS hyperlinks and 'Reference Sources' sections. Removed retired CMS LCD L34953 'Cardiac Event Detection Monitoring'; LCD retired as of 06/11/2023.

MP-093-MC-PA Gastrointestinal Pathogen (GIP) Panels Utilizing Multiplex Nucleic Acid Amplification Techniques (NAATs) (L38229)

No changes to clinical criteria. Updated CMS hyperlinks and 'Reference Sources' sections. Added procedure code 0369U.

Annually Reviewed Medical Policies without Changes

MP-001-MC-PA Cataract Extraction (including Complex Cataract Surgery) (L35091)

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

MP-060-MC-PA Blood Glucose Testing (NCD 190.20)

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

Retired Policy

MP-066-MC-PA Spinal Cord Stimulation (Dorsal Column Stimulation) (L35450)

Policy to be retired. CMS LCD (L35450) and LCA (A57023) were Retired as of 07/13/2023.

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