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This bulletin should be shared with all health care practitioners and managerial members of the providers/suppliers staff. Bulletins issued during the last two years are available at no cost from our website.

CMS publishes the Quarterly Provider Update (QPU) at the beginning of each quarter to inform providers and suppliers:

- Regulations and major policies under development during the quarter
- Regulations and major policies completed or cancelled
- New or revised manual instructions

## **National Government Services – Articles for Part A and Part B Providers**

### **LCD and Article Revisions: January–February 2020**

The medical policies and related articles can be found in our [Medical Policy Center](#)

#### **LCD Revisions**

##### ***Percutaneous Vertebral Augmentation (PVA) for Osteoporotic Vertebral Compression Fracture (VCF) (L33569)***

This clarification has been added to the Indications section of the LCD:

Provisions in this LCD and related coding article only address Vertebral Augmentation for Osteoporotic Vertebral Compression Fracture (VCF). Coverage will remain available for medically necessary procedures for other conditions not included in this LCD.

#### **Article Revisions**

##### ***Billing and Coding: Cardiac Catheterization and Coronary Angiography (A52850)***

The article has been revised to add ICD-10 codes I42.0-I42.9 to Group 3 covered diagnoses, effective for dates of service from 10/1/2019.

##### ***Billing and Coding: Intravenous Immune Globulin (IVIG) (A52446)***

The article has been revised to add documentation requirements that were inadvertently removed with the last update.

##### ***Billing and Coding: Micro-Invasive Glaucoma Surgery (MIGS) (A56588)***

Added the following specific, coding guideline to the Article Text section to clarify the billing of CPT code 0376T, effective for services rendered on or after 12/01/2019:

"iStent inject is a 2-stent device, and therefore, is adequately described by 0191T. Billing of 0376T (an additional device) in addition to 0191T is inappropriate."

##### ***Billing and Coding: Outpatient Physical and Occupational Therapy Services (A56566)***

Article corrected to add CPT codes 97545 and 97546 which were inadvertently omitted from the previous revision and to remove CPT code 95933 which was added to the CPT code list in error.

##### ***Billing and Coding: Pain Management (A52863)***

CPT code 64451 has been added to the bilateral surgery guidelines under the "Sacroiliac (SI) Joint Injections" section.

The following sentence has been added to the paragraph for CPT code 64625 in the "Indications" section of the article:

Radiofrequency ablation for denervation whether performed using traditional, cooled, or pulsed radiofrequency is considered investigational and therefore, not medically necessary.

"Non-Covered Service" has been added to the Group 4 paragraph section.

## ***Polysomnography and Sleep Studies – Medical Policy Article (A53019)***

The first paragraph under the Indications and Limitations has been revised to state:

For all hospital based facilities, the facility must be under the direction and control of physicians that are board certified or eligible in sleep medicine. All non-hospital based facilities must be certified by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine, The Joint Commission, or the Accreditation Commission for Health Care, Inc.

## **Local Coverage Determination Open Meeting Announcement**

### **Jurisdiction 6/Jurisdiction K Part A/Part B MAC**

| <b>Open Meeting Date</b> | <b>Meeting Time</b>                     | <b>Meeting Location</b>  |
|--------------------------|---|--|
| Wednesday, 2/26/2020     | 12:00–3:00 p.m. CT<br>1:00–4:00 p.m. ET | Illinois State Medical Society<br>20 N. Michigan Avenue<br>Suite 700<br>Michigan Room<br>Chicago, IL 60602 |

The next combined J6/JK Open Meeting will be held on 2/26/2020 at the Illinois Medical Society in Chicago, IL.

To ensure the development of LCDs occurs through a public and open process, NGS is soliciting published evidence related to the proposed LCDs, from the public and the Contractor Advisory Committees.

The proposed LCDs will be presented and can be accessed after **2/6/2020**, on the Medical Policy Center page of our website or on the [CMS Medicare Coverage Database](#).

Prostate Rectal Spacers

Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation

*The Category III CPT® Codes LCD will not be presented at this meeting.*

### ***Requests to Present***

Interested parties who wish to make presentations of scientific evidence related to these proposed policies must submit a written request to [Laketa.OBannon@anthem.com](mailto:Laketa.OBannon@anthem.com) **no later than 2/14/2020**. The request must include the following items:

- Name, address, telephone number
- Email address (if applicable)
- Name and address of the organization represented (if applicable)
- Name of the proposed LCD
- Disclosure of any conflict of interest

All requests will be acknowledged by either confirming or denying the request to present at the meeting.

### **Reminders for Presenters (slide presentations only)**

In the spirit of an open meeting, all comments on proposed LCDs are welcome and should be prefaced by a disclosure of any COI, but for **registered presenters**, these rules apply:

- Presentations must be received no later than **2/14/2020** by 5pm (no exceptions)
- Time allotted for each presenter will be determined by the number of presenters per proposed LCD with a maximum time allowed of ten minutes per presentation.
- Presentations must include a **Conflict of Interest (COI) slide**

### **Registration and Participation**

All members of the public are invited to attend the open meeting. If you plan to attend the meeting in person, please RSVP to [Laketa.OBannon@anthem.com](mailto:Laketa.OBannon@anthem.com) by **Wednesday, 2/19/2020**.

### **By Telephone**

- Participant Number: 877-445-5490
- Conference ID: 9183058

You will be asked for your name, association and state.

### **By Webex**

You may **register** for the webinar by selecting the link below, using Ctrl+click. The link will take you to a form to complete and submit. Once completed, you will receive an email with the information needed to join the webinar at the correct date/time. The email will include a phone number, meeting ID and audio PIN (which will be shown after you join the webinar).

[Register for the NGS MAC Open Meeting.](#)

At the time of the meeting, select the link in your registration confirmation email to join the webinar.

### **Comments on Proposed LCDs**

All members of the public are invited to offer comment on the above proposed LCDs via email or by the U.S. Postal Service. The formal comment period is **2/6/2020 through 3/22/2020**. Comments can be sent by email to [PartBLCDComments@wellpoint.com](mailto:PartBLCDComments@wellpoint.com). **Comments must be accompanied by disclosure of any conflict of interest.**

Please send hard-copy comments to:

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