Uterine Services and Procedures

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Related Policies
None

Coverage Guidelines

Uterine services and procedures are covered when Medicare coverage criteria are met.

Note: The guidelines in this Coverage Summary are for specific procedures only. For procedures not addressed in this Coverage Summary, refer to the Medicare Coverage Database to search for applicable coverage policies (National Coverage Determination, Local Coverage Determinations and Local Coverage Articles).

Uterine Artery Embolization for Treatment of Uterine Fibroids (CPT Codes 37243 and 37244)

Medicare has a general NCD for Therapeutic Embolization (20.28), but does not have a specific NCD for uterine artery embolization (UAE) for treatment of uterine fibroids. Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)/Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) do not exist.

For coverage guidelines, refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled Abnormal Uterine Bleeding and Uterine Fibroids.

Note: After searching the Medicare Coverage Database, if no LCD/LCA is found, then use the policy referenced above for coverage guidelines.
(Accessed September 18, 2023)

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)-Guided Focused Ultrasound Ablation (CPT Codes 0071T and 0072T)

Medicare does not have National Coverage Determination (NCD) for magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)-guided cryoablation. Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)/Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) do not exist.

For coverage guidelines, refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled Abnormal Uterine Bleeding and Uterine Fibroids.

Note: After searching the Medicare Coverage Database, if no LCD/LCA is found, then use the policy referenced above for coverage guidelines.
(Accessed September 18, 2023)

Hysterectomy (CPT Codes 58150, 58152, 58180, 58260, 58262, 58263, 58267, 58270, 58290, 58291, 58292, 58294, 58541, 58542, 58543, 58544, 58550, 58552, 58553, 58554, 58570, 58571, 58572, and 58573)

Medicare does not have National Coverage Determination (NCD) for hysterectomy. Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)/Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) do not exist.

For coverage guidelines, refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled Hysterectomy.

Note: After searching the Medicare Coverage Database, if no LCD/LCA is found, then use the policy referenced above for coverage guidelines.
(Accessed January 4, 2024)

Radical Hysterectomy (CPT Codes 58210, 58285, 58548, 58952, 58953, and 58954)

Medicare does not have National Coverage Determination (NCD) for radical hysterectomy. Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)/Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) do not exist.

For coverage guidelines, refer to the InterQual® CP: Procedures, Hysterectomy, Radical.

Click here to view the InterQual® criteria.

Note: After searching the Medicare Coverage Database, if no LCD/LCA is found, then use the InterQual® criteria referenced above for coverage guidelines.
(Accessed January 4, 2024)

Hysteroscopy, Diagnostic (CPT Codes 58120, 58555, 58558, 59160, 59812, 59820, 59821, 59830, 59840, 59841, 59851, and 59870)

Medicare does not have National Coverage Determination (NCD) for hysteroscopy. Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)/Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) do not exist.

For coverage guidelines, refer to the InterQual® CP: Procedures, Hysteroscopy, + Dilatation and Curettage (D & C), Diagnostic.

Click here to view the InterQual® criteria.

Note: After searching the Medicare Coverage Database, if no LCD/LCA is found, then use the InterQual® criteria referenced above for coverage guidelines.
(Accessed January 4, 2024)

Hysteroscopy, Dilatation and Curettage (D & C) (CPT Codes 58558, 58559, 58560, 58561, 58562, 58563, and 58565)

Medicare does not have National Coverage Determination (NCD) for hysteroscopy. Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)/Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) do not exist.

For coverage guidelines, refer to the InterQual® CP: Procedures, Hysteroscopy, + Dilatation and Curettage (D & C), Diagnostic.

Click here to view the InterQual® criteria.

Note: After searching the Medicare Coverage Database, if no LCD/LCA is found, then use the InterQual® criteria referenced above for coverage guidelines.
(Accessed January 4, 2024)

Endometriosis Surgery (CPT Code 58662)

Medicare does not have National Coverage Determination (NCD) for endometriosis surgery. Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)/Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) do not exist.

For coverage guidelines, refer to the InterQual® CP: Procedures, Ablation or Excision, Endometriosis, Laparoscopic.

Click here to view the InterQual® criteria.

Note: After searching the Medicare Coverage Database, if no LCD/LCA is found, then use the policy referenced above for coverage guidelines.
(Accessed January 4, 2024)

Use of Intrauterine Devices (IUD) for Treatment of Endometrial Hyperplasia (CPT Code 58999)

Medicare does not have National Coverage Determination (NCD) for use of intrauterine devices (IUD) used in the treatment of endometrial hyperplasia. Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)/Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) exist and compliance with these policies is required where applicable. For specific LCDs/LCAs, refer to the table for Treatment of Endometrial Hyperplasia with IUD.

For coverage guidelines for states/territories with no LCDs/LCAs, refer to the UnitedHealthcare Commercial Medical Policy titled Abnormal Uterine Bleeding and Uterine Fibroids.

Note: After checking the Treatment of Endometrial Hyperplasia with IUD table and searching the Medicare Coverage Database, if no LCD/LCA is found, then use the policy referenced above for coverage guidelines.

Note: To avoid unnecessary claim denials, use CPT® code 58999 Unlisted procedure, female genital system instead of CPT® code 58300. Use ICD -10 codes N85.00 - N85.02 and enter “hormone IUD” in the comment/narrative field. Refer to the Palmetto LCA for Billing and Coding: Endometrial Hyperplasia Treatment (A53043).
(Accessed January 11, 2024)

Supporting Information

Treatment of Endometrial Hyperplasia with IUD
Accessed January 11, 2024

LCD/LCA ID	LCD/LCA Title	Contractor Type	Contractor Name	Applicable States/Territories
A59619	Billing and Coding: Treatment of Abnormal Uterine Bleeding with Intrauterine Device (Hormone-Eluting)	Part A and B MAC	First Coast	FL, PR, VI

Treatment of Endometrial Hyperplasia with IUD Accessed January 11, 2024				
LCD/LCA ID	**LCD/LCA Title**	**Contractor Type**	**Contractor Name**	**Applicable States/Territories**
A58649	Billing and Coding: IUD (Hormone-Eluting) for Endometrial Hyperplasia - CPT 58999	Part A and B MAC	National Government Services, Inc.	CT, IL, MN, NY, ME, MA, NH, RI, WI, VT
A55061	Billing and Coding: IUD (Hormone-Eluting) for Endometrial Hyperplasia - CPT 58999	Part A and B MAC	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	CA, HI, NV, AS, GU, MP
A55062	Billing and Coding: IUD (Hormone-Eluting) for Endometrial Hyperplasia - CPT 58999	Part A and B MAC	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	AK, AZ, ID, MT, ND, OR, SD, WA, UT, WY
A59620	Article - Billing and Coding: Treatment of Abnormal Uterine Bleeding with Intrauterine Device (Hormone-Eluting)	Part A and B MAC	Novitas Solutions, Inc.	AR, CO, DC, DE, LA, MD, MS, NJ, NM, OK, PA, TX
A53043	Billing and Coding: Endometrial Hyperplasia Treatment	Part A and B MAC	Palmetto GBA	NC, SC, VA, WV
A55951	Billing and Coding: Endometrial Hyperplasia Treatment with Intrauterine Device (Hormone-Eluting)	Part A and B MAC	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corporation	IA, IN, KS, MI, MO, NE
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Policy History/Revision Information

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01/18/2024	**Coverage Guidelines** ***Uterine Artery Embolization for Treatment of Uterine Fibroids (CPT Codes 37243 and 37244)*** • Updated list of applicable CPT codes; added 37244 ***Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)-Guided Focused Ultrasound Ablation (CPT Codes 0071T and 0072T)*** • Removed language indicating magnetic resonance-guided focused ultrasound ablation (MRgFUS) is unproven and not medically necessary for treating uterine fibroids due to insufficient evidence of efficacy ***Hysterectomy (CPT Codes 58150, 58152, 58180, 58260, 58262, 58263, 58267, 58270, 58290, 58291, 58292, 58294, 58541, 58542, 58543, 58544, 58550, 58552, 58553, 58554, 58570, 58571, 58572, and 58573)*** • Added list of applicable CPT codes to service heading ***Radical Hysterectomy (CPT Codes 58210, 58285, 58548, 58952, 58953, and 58954)*** (new to policy) • Added language to indicate:

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The benefit information in this Coverage Summary is based on existing national coverage policy; however, Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) may exist and compliance with these policies are required where applicable.

UnitedHealthcare follows Medicare coverage guidelines found in statutes, regulations, NCDs, and LCDs to determine coverage. The clinical coverage criteria governing the items or services in this coverage summary have not been fully established in applicable Medicare guidelines because there is an absence of any applicable Medicare statutes, regulations, NCDs, or LCDs setting forth coverage criteria and/or the applicable NCDs or LCDs include flexibility that explicitly allows for coverage in circumstances beyond the specific indications that are listed in an NCD or LCD. As a result, UnitedHealthcare applies internal coverage criteria in the UnitedHealthcare commercial policies referenced in this coverage summary. The coverage criteria in

these commercial policies was developed through an evaluation of the current relevant clinical evidence in acceptable clinical literature and/or widely used treatment guidelines. UnitedHealthcare evaluated the evidence to determine whether it was of sufficient quality to support a finding that the items or services discussed in the policy might, under certain circumstances, be reasonable and necessary for the diagnosis or treatment of illness or injury or to improve the functioning of a malformed body member.