

# Pneumatic Compression Devices (for North Carolina Only)

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**Related Policy**

- [Durable Medical Equipment, Orthotics, Medical Supplies, and Repairs/Replacements \(for North Carolina Only\)](#)

## Application

This Medical Policy only applies to the state of North Carolina.

## Coverage Rationale

Pneumatic compression devices are proven and medically necessary in certain circumstances. For medical necessity clinical coverage criteria, refer to the [North Carolina Medicaid \(Division of Health Benefits\) Clinical Coverage Policy for Medical Equipment 5A-1, Physical Rehabilitation Equipment and Supplies](#).

## Applicable Codes

The following list(s) of procedure and/or diagnosis codes is provided for reference purposes only and may not be all inclusive. Listing of a code in this policy does not imply that the service described by the code is a covered or non-covered health service. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by federal, state, or contractual requirements and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment. Other Policies and Guidelines may apply.

HCPCS Code	Description
A4600	Sleeve for intermittent limb compression device, replacement only, each
E0650	Pneumatic compressor, nonsegmental home model
E0651	Pneumatic compressor, segmental home model without calibrated gradient pressure
E0652	Pneumatic compressor, segmental home model with calibrated gradient pressure
E0655	Nonsegmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, half arm
E0660	Nonsegmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, full leg
E0665	Nonsegmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, full arm
E0666	Nonsegmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, half leg
E0667	Segmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, full leg
E0668	Segmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, full arm

HCPCS Code	Description
E0669	Segmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, half leg
E0670	Segmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, integrated, two full legs and trunk
E0671	Segmental gradient pressure pneumatic appliance, full leg
E0672	Segmental gradient pressure pneumatic appliance, full arm
E0673	Segmental gradient pressure pneumatic appliance, half leg
E0675	Pneumatic compression device, high pressure, rapid inflation/deflation cycle, for arterial insufficiency (unilateral or bilateral system)
E0676	Intermittent limb compression device (includes all accessories), not otherwise specified

## U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

This section is to be used for informational purposes only. FDA approval alone is not a basis for coverage.

The Flexitouch Plus System (Tactile Systems Technology, Inc) received FDA clearance on December 20, 2020. The Flexitouch System and garments for the head and neck are intended for use by medical professionals and patients who are under medical supervision for the treatment of head and neck lymphedema.

[https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh\\_docs/pdf20/K203178.pdf](https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf20/K203178.pdf). (Accessed November 8, 2022)

Devices and systems to perform pneumatic compression are regulated by the FDA as Class II devices. Refer to the following website for more information (use product code JOW):

<http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cdrh/cfdocs/cfPMN/pmn.cfm>. (Accessed September 6, 2022)

## References

North Carolina Medicaid, Division of Health Benefits, Clinical Coverage Policies, Physical Rehabilitation Equipment and Supplies, No: 5A-1. [https://files.nc.gov/ncdma/documents/files/5A-1\\_6.pdf](https://files.nc.gov/ncdma/documents/files/5A-1_6.pdf). Accessed January 31, 2023.

## Policy History/Revision Information

Date	Summary of Changes
06/01/2023	<p><b>Applicable Codes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removed HCPCS codes E0656 and E0657</li> </ul> <p><b>Supporting Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated <i>FDA</i> section to reflect the most current information</li> <li>Archived previous policy version CSNCT0563.04</li> </ul>

## Instructions for Use

This Medical Policy provides assistance in interpreting UnitedHealthcare standard benefit plans. When deciding coverage, the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage must be referenced as the terms of the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage may differ from the standard benefit plan. In the event of a conflict, the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage govern. Before using this policy, please check the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage. UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to modify its Policies and Guidelines as necessary. This Medical Policy is provided for informational purposes. It does not constitute medical advice.

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