JHHC Medical Policies Update



These medical policies have been approved by the JHHC MPAC (Medical Policy Advisory Committee), formerly known as the SEEPAC (Scientific Evidence Evaluation and Policy Advisory Committee), and the JHHC QAPI (Quality Assurance Process Improvement) committee, formerly known as the MPC (Medical Policy Committee). Changes and additions are effective **1/15/18**.

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Medical Policy	Key Points/Changes	Status	Line of Business
CMS02.13	Revised Policy	Effective	EHP
Bronchial	Addresses Bronchial Thermoplasty in the treatment	1/15/18	PPMCO
Thermoplasty	of patients with a diagnosis of asthma and the		USFHP
	specific criteria needed for the procedure		ADV MD
	 Definition: A full course of treatment is defined as 		
	three applications over a two-to-three-month period		
	Background and references reviewed and updated		
CMS06.03	Revised Policy	Effective	EHP
Fecal DNA	Background and references reviewed and updated	1/15/18	PPMCO
Testing	-		USFHP
			ADV MD
CMS08.01	Revised Policy	Effective	EHP
Hyperbaric	 Background and references reviewed and updated 	1/15/18	PPMCO
Oxygen			USFHP
Therapy			ADV MD
CMS13.04	Revised Policy	Effective	EHP
Magnetic	 Added criteria: uses of contrast-enhanced MRI of the 	1/15/18	PPMCO
Resonance	breast and without contrast MRI of the breast		USFHP
Imaging (MRI)	 Added criteria related to members who had a 		ADV MD
of the Breast	previous conventional mammogram and/or		
	sonogram with specific clinical indications		
	 Added the following: follow up after an MRI-guided 		
	biopsy or ultrasound-guided biopsy which was		
	performed on an MRI finding and a second look		
	evaluation		
	 This is typically at six months but can be at a 		
	shorter interval if there is a question of the		
	lesion not being adequately sampled based		
	on the pathology outcome		
	 Added the following: short interval follow up, at 		
	approximately six months, of possibly benign BI-		
	RADS category three lesions seen on a previous		
	contrast-enhanced MRI of the breast		
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CMS16.19	Revised Policy		
Prenatal	 Added the following criteria: ultrasounds for non- 	Effective	EHP
Obstetrical	emergent or non-life-threatening conditions require a	1/15/18	PPMCO
Ultrasound	pre-authorization when performed in regulated space		USFHP
	Added the following criteria: ultrasounds for		ADV MD
	emergent or life-threatening conditions may be		
	performed without pre-authorization		
	Added the following criteria: ultrasounds for low risk		
	diagnoses beyond three ultrasounds require pre-		
	authorization		
	O Documentation must demonstrate medical		
	necessity		
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	Added the following criteria: ultrasounds for high risk		
	diagnoses may be performed without pre-		
	authorization in unregulated space		
	Added the following criteria: all ultrasounds in		
	regulated space require pre-authorization		
	Background and references reviewed and updated		
CMS18.05	Revised Policy	Effective	EHP
Back Pain-	 Removed the word "and" and replaced with "or" 	1/15/18	PPMCO
Invasive	under Facet Blocks regarding medical record on		USFHP
Procedures	history, physical, or radiographic evaluations		ADV MD
	 Removed the word "and" and replaced with "or" 		
	under Radiofrequency Ablation (RFA) regarding		
	medical record on history, physical, or radiographic		
	evaluations		
	Added the following under Documentation: imaging		
	(report of appropriate imaging done within one year),		
	if appropriate per history and physical		
	Background and references reviewed and updated		
CMS20.01	Revised Policy	Effective	EHP
Temporoman-	Added LCD under Advantage MD	1/15/18	PPMCO
dibular	_	1,13,10	USFHP
Disorders	Added criteria of non-surgical treatments that are considered E/Lin the treatment of TMD which are the		ADV MD
(TMD)	considered E/I in the treatment of TMD which are the		YON INID
(TIVID)	following: hypnosis/relaxation therapy, injection of		
	plasma rich in growth factors, intra-articular injection		
	of platelet-rich plasma, intra-articular injections of		
	rituximab, manual therapy, permanent mandibular		
	repositioning(e.g., equilibration, orthodontics), stem		
	cell therapy, and transcranial direct current		
	stimulation		
	 Background and references reviewed and updated 		



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CMS21.01 Sacral Nerve Stimulation for Urge Urinary	Revised Policy	Effective 1/15/18	EHP PPMCO USFHP ADV MD
Incontinence			
COR027 Telemedicine/ Telehealth	 Revised Policy Added COMAR10.09.96 Remote Patient Monitoring (RPM) regulations Added criteria regarding acute and chronic conditions via wearable, platform, or self-reported for RPM These conditions include:	Effective 1/15/18	EHP PPMCO USFHP ADV MD