Provider Memorandum

The MCG 26th Edition In Effect July 26, 2022

Molina Healthcare of Illinois (Molina) is informing providers that the MCG 26th Edition will be in effect beginning July 26, 2022.

Instructions on how to access the MCG Summary of Changes are provided below. Several changes that may be of interest have also been highlighted. **Note**: These changes are not meant to be an exhaustive list, and providers have access to the MCG 26th Edition via the Availity Provider Portal through MCG Transparency. In addition, applicable Molina Clinical Policy (if available) will supersede MCG in certain instances.

Summary of Changes

MCG provides a Summary of Changes that is accessible by clicking on the table of contents. This outlines the changes for each guideline. Within the table of contents for each guideline, the user can also access a Detailed List of Changes which will show all changes in each guideline and criteria point (additional information and information extracted) compared to the 25th edition.

Guideline-Specific Changes

Inpatient Surgical Care (ISC) Guidelines

- ISC Observations Guidelines added:
    - Pancreatitis
    - Acute Renal Failure
    - Ischemic Stroke
- Some of the Goal Length of Stays (GLOS) have changed:
    - Hip and knee arthroplasty—More guidance on Ambulatory vs. Inpatient (IP).
- Name changes of some guidelines.
- NICU changes:
    - Non-invasive ventilatory assistance and mechanical ventilation moved from a level 4 to a level 3.
    - Mechanical ventilation for level 4 now has an added descriptor for the severely ill neonate that comes from the American Hospital Association (AHA) billing code.

Residual Functional Capacity (RFC) Guidelines

- Activities of Daily Living Scoring Tool calculator added.

Ambulatory Care (AC) Guidelines

- Guidelines Added:
    - Transcervical Uterine Ablation of Leiomyomas
    - Corneal Cross-Linking
    - Multiple Specialty Medications
- Name changes of some guidelines.

- Some guidelines have been relocated within the AC guideline set.

- Guidelines changed from "Current Role Remains Uncertain" to Clinical Indications:
    - Whole Genome/Whole Exome Sequencing—Developmental Delay and Intellectual Disability A-0926
    - Whole Genome/Whole Exome Sequencing—Metabolic, Mitochondrial, and Neurologic Disorders A-0871
    - Whole Genome/Whole Exome Sequencing—Primary Immunodeficiency Disorders A-0866
    - Ovarian Cancer (Hereditary)—Genes and Gene Panel A-0782
    - Retinal Disorders (Hereditary)—Gene Panel A-0912
    - Vertebroplasty and Kyphoplasty A-0226

- Guidelines that have been deleted from the AC:

Guideline Name	Guideline Number
Noninvasive Prenatal Testing (Cell-Free Fetal DNA)—Fetal Rhesus D(RhD) Genotyping	A-0847
Colon Cancer Gene Expression Assay—ColoPrint	A-0822
Spinal Canal MR Angiography (MRA)	A-0536
Gastrointestinal Blood Loss Study	A-0082
Scintimammography	A-0071

Home Care (HC) Guidelines

- New features and changes:
    - Face-to-Face Encounter added.
    - Activities of Daily Living Scoring Tool Calculator added.
- Name changes of some guidelines.

Behavioral Health Care (BH) Guidelines

- New Guidelines:
    - Two new Specialty Medication guidelines—Brexanolone and Esketamine.
- Expanded access to Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) assessment:
    - The assessment may be accessed from all days in the Optimal Recovery Course and all stages in the General Recovery Course.
- Assessments for Social Determinants of Health have been added to each day of the Optimal Recovery Course or Recovery Course.

- Two calculators added to help assess depression or anxiety (Patient Health Questionnaire–9 and General Anxiety Disorder–7).

Questions?

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