

# **Cardio Policy:**

# **Venogram Invasive Vein Mapping**

| POLICY NUMBER<br>UM CARDIO_1319  | SUBJECT<br>Venogram/Invasive Vein Mapping |   | DEPT/PROGRAM<br>UM Dept   | PAGE 1 OF 3 |
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| <b>DATES COMMITTEE REVIEWED</b> 10/10/18, 03/13/19, 12/11/19, 06/10/20, 07/13/20, 06/09/21, 11/09/21, 03/09/22, 01/11/23 | APPROVAL DATE January 11, 2023            | <b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b> January 27, 2023                    | COMMITTEE APPROVAL DATES 10/10/18, 03/13/19, 12/11/19, 06/10/20, 07/13/20, 06/09/21, 11/09/21, 03/09/22, 01/11/23 |             |
| PRIMARY BUSINESS OWNER: UM   |   | COMMITTEE/BOARD APPROVAL Utilization Management Committee |   |             |
| URAC STANDARDS<br>HUM v8: UM 1-2; UM 2-1   | NCQA STANDARDS<br>UM 2                    |   | ADDITIONAL AREAS OF IMPACT  |             |
| CMS REQUIREMENTS   | STATE/FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS                |   | APPLICABLE LINES OF BUSINESS Commercial, Exchange, Medicaid   |             |

### I. PURPOSE

Indications for determining medical necessity for Venogram/Invasive Vein mapping.

### II. DEFINITIONS

Venogram is an invasive procedure that uses X-rays and a contrast dye to create images of extremity vein(s) for anatomic localization and hemodynamic quantification when non-invasive study like venous duplex is limited.

Appropriate Use Criteria (AUC score) for a service is one in which the expected incremental information, combined with clinical judgment, exceeds the expected negative consequences by a sufficiently wide margin for a specific indication that the procedure is generally considered acceptable care and a reasonable approach for the indication. The ultimate objective of AUC is to improve patient care and health outcomes in a cost–effective manner but is not intended to ignore ambiguity and nuance intrinsic to clinical decision making.

Appropriate Care- Median Score 7-9

May be Appropriate Care- Median Score 4-6

Rarely Appropriate Care- Median Score 1-3

## III. POLICY

Indications for approving a request for medical necessity are:

- A. Patient with End Stage Renal Disease on dialysis through central venous catheter requiring this procedure prior to AV Fistula/Graft/Bypass creation to identify the graftable vessels. (AUC Score 8)1,4,5
- B. Patient with failed AV Fistula/Graft requiring this procedure prior to creation of a new AV Fistula/Graft as vein mapping by venous duplex may be inconclusive. (AUC Score 8)<sup>1,4,5</sup>
- C. Patient with unilateral lower extremity swelling (left more than the right) requiring this procedure to rule out Ilio-Caval obstruction (May-Thurner Syndrome). (AUC Score 8)<sup>3,5</sup>
- D. Evaluation for venous stenosis or venous hypertension when venous structures are not accessible for duplex study. (AUC Score 8)1,4,5
- E. To assess the patency of Central Venous Catheter when malfunctioning is suspected. (AUC Score 8)<sup>1,4,5</sup>
- F. In the setting of device (AICD/PPM/CRT-D) leads placements when duplex is inconclusive or not suitable in identifying the access site. (AUC Score 8)<sup>2,5</sup>

#### Limitations

A. Requests for services that are part of a surveillance protocol for patients who are involved in a clinical trial are considered out of scope (OOS) for New Century Health and cannot be reviewed.

## IV. PROCEDURE

- A. In order to review a request for medical necessity, the following items must be submitted for review:
  - 1. Progress notes from the nephrologist or vascular surgeon that prompted the request (including pertinent labs)
  - 2. All non-invasive Vascular Studies performed applicable to the request
- B. Primary codes appropriate for this service are:
  - 1. 36005 Injection procedure for extremity venography (including introduction of needle or intra catheter)
  - 2. 36010 Introduction of catheter, superior or inferior vena cava
  - 3. 36011 Selective catheter placement, venous system; first order branch (e.g., renal vein, jugular vein)
  - 4. 36012 Selective catheter placement, venous system; second order branch (e.g., left adrenal vein, petrosal sinus)
  - 5. 75820 Venography, extremity, unilateral, radiological supervision, and interpretation
  - 6. 75822 Venography, extremity, bilateral, radiological supervision and interpretation
  - 7. 75825 Venography, caval, inferior, with serialography, radiological supervision and interpretation
  - 8. 75827 Venography, caval, superior, with serialography, radiological supervision and interpretation

# V. APPROVAL AUTHORITY

- A. Review Utilization Management Department
- B. Final Approval Utilization Management Committee



# **VI. ATTACHMENTS**

A. None

## VII. REFERENCES

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