

- Make sure that you understand the exceptions to coverage, and if you have any questions, contact Northwind Health directly.
- Be aware that some services, such as elective cosmetic procedures, are not covered under this plan.
- Contact your doctor or Northwind Health if you have any questions or concerns about the coverage provided for your newborn.

### **Orthognathic Surgery (Jaw Augmentation Or Reduction)**

Orthognathic Surgery (Jaw Augmentation or Reduction):

Northwind Health Plus covers Orthognathic Surgery, also referred to as Jaw Augmentation or Reduction, as a covered service. This procedure is used to correct irregularities in the jaw and face caused by misalignment of bones or teeth. It is a complex procedure that involves cutting and repositioning the jaw bones to improve the alignment and overall appearance of the face.

Orthognathic Surgery is typically covered when medically necessary and is performed to improve the functional aspects of the jaw and face. It is important to note that Northwind Health Plus will only cover this procedure when it is performed by a physician who is a member of the Northwind Health provider network.

When considering Orthognathic Surgery, it is important to note that it is a major procedure and you should ask your physician any questions you may have about the operation. Additionally, you should discuss the risks and benefits of the procedure with your physician to make sure it is the right decision for you.

Before undergoing Orthognathic Surgery, you may need to have certain tests and evaluations performed, such as X-rays, CT scans, MRI scans, and physical exams. In some cases, you may need to be referred to a specialist for a more in-depth evaluation.

In some cases, Northwind Health Plus may require pre-authorization for Orthognathic Surgery prior to the procedure being performed. This means that you may need to get approval from Northwind Health Plus before the procedure can be done. Your physician can provide you with more information about this process.

After the procedure, your physician may recommend that you wear a protective appliance, such as a splint or headgear, to protect your jaw while it heals. You may also need to attend follow-up appointments with your physician to monitor your progress.

Northwind Health Plus typically covers the cost of Orthognathic Surgery, but you should confirm with your provider that all costs associated with the procedure are covered. Additionally, you should keep in mind that there may be certain limitations or exclusions that apply to this coverage, so it is important to review your policy in detail to be sure that you understand what is and is not covered.