

Collagen Injections

Description

Collagen is a tough, glue-like protein. Collagen injections can add support or add bulk to skin and other tissues. It can be used cosmetically, for reconstructive purposes, or for treatment of certain medical conditions, such as use in bone grafting and wound treatment.

See also

Similar, related, or easily confused documents:

- [Breast Reconstruction following Mastectomy](#) – the process of rebuilding a breast following a mastectomy.
 - [Breast Reconstruction for Poland Syndrome](#) – breast reconstruction is covered when performed at the same time as a repair of a congenital chest wall deformity, referred to as Poland Syndrome.
 - [Dupuytren's Contracture Surgery](#) - Dupuytren's contracture, also known as palmar fibromatosis, is a condition in which tissue in the palm of the hand covering the finger tendons thickens and scars. The affected tissue, called the palmar fascia, becomes tight and shortened, contracting the fingers inwards toward the palm.
 - [Urethral Bulking Agents for Urinary Incontinence](#) – a surgical procedure where bulking agents (such as collagen or carbon-coated beads) are injected around the neck of the bladder or urethra to narrow it and reduce urinary incontinence.
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Commercial

Introduction	Coverage depends on the reason for the collagen injection. Refer to the appropriate section below.
Breast reconstruction (following breast cancer)	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction following breast cancer, refer to Breast Reconstruction following Mastectomy for coverage details.
Breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome, refer to Breast Reconstruction for Poland Syndrome for coverage details.
Cosmetic reasons	Collagen injections for cosmetic reasons are NOT COVERED.
Other medical conditions	<p>Covered under surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clinic POS: Also quote office visit benefits when done in the clinic.• Example (but there are many others): Xiaflex (collagenase clostridium histolyticum) is a collagen injection that treats Dupuytren's contracture, a condition of the hand resulting in bent fingers that cannot be straightened.<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Refer to Dupuytren's Contracture Surgery for surgical treatment of this condition.
Urinary incontinence	When collagen injections are being done for urinary incontinence, refer to Urethral Bulking Agents for Urinary Incontinence for coverage details.

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Introduction

This section applies to all Medicaid and Medicare products.

AccessAbility (SNBC),

Coverage depends on the reason for the collagen injection. Refer to the table below.

Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)

Reason	Information
Breast reconstruction (following Breast cancer)	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction following breast cancer, refer to Breast Reconstruction following Mastectomy for coverage details.
Breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome, refer to Breast Reconstruction for Poland Syndrome for coverage details.
Cosmetic reasons	Collagen injections for cosmetic reasons are NOT COVERED.
Other medical reasons	<p>Example (but there are many others): Xiaflex (collagenase clostridium histolyticum) is a collagen injection that treats Dupuytren's contracture, a condition of the hand resulting in bent fingers that cannot be straightened.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refer to Dupuytren's Contracture Surgery for surgical treatment of this condition. <p><u>Medicaid only groups:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refer to Medicaid below. <p><u>Medicare eligible groups:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Covered under surgical benefits.• Medicare is the primary payer.• Follows Medicare guidelines.• If no Medicare eligibility, Medicaid applies. Refer to Medicaid below.

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(SNBC),

Minnesota
Senior Care
Plus (MSC+),
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Reason	Information
Urinary incontinence	When collagen injections are being done for urinary incontinence, refer to Urethral Bulking Agents for Urinary Incontinence for coverage details.

AccessAbility
Enhanced (SNBC
SNP),

DUAL (MSHO)

Coverage depends on the reason for the collagen injection. Refer to the table below.

Reason	Information
Breast reconstruction (following Breast cancer)	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction following breast cancer, refer to Breast Reconstruction following Mastectomy for coverage details.
Breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome, refer to Breast Reconstruction for Poland Syndrome for coverage details.
Cosmetic reasons	Collagen injections for cosmetic reasons are NOT COVERED.
Other medical reasons	<p>Covered under surgical benefits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Example (but there are many others): Xiaflex (collagenase clostridium histolyticum) is a collagen injection that treats Dupuytren's contracture, a condition of the hand resulting in bent fingers that cannot be straightened. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Refer to Dupuytren's Contracture Surgery for surgical treatment of this condition. • Medica is the only payer.

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AccessAbility
Enhanced
(SNBC SNP),

DUAL (MSHO),
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Reason	Information
Urinary incontinence	When collagen injections are being done for urinary incontinence, refer to Urethral Bulking Agents for Urinary Incontinence for coverage details.

Advantage

Coverage depends on the reason for the collagen injection. Refer to the table below.

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Breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome, refer to Breast Reconstruction for Poland Syndrome for coverage details.
Cosmetic reasons	Collagen injections for cosmetic reasons are NOT COVERED.
Other medical reasons	<p>Covered under surgical benefits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Example (but there are many others): Xiaflex (collagenase clostridium histolyticum) is a collagen injection that treats Dupuytren's contracture, a condition of the hand resulting in bent fingers that cannot be straightened. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Refer to Dupuytren's Contracture Surgery for surgical treatment of this condition. • Follows Medicare guidelines. • Provider must bill per Medicare Product Grid. • Medica is the only payer.

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Advantage, continued

Reason	Information
Urinary incontinence	When collagen injections are being done for urinary incontinence, refer to Urethral Bulking Agents for Urinary Incontinence for coverage details.

Advantage PartnerCare (I- SNP)

Coverage depends on the reason for the collagen injection. Refer to the table below.

Reason	Information
Breast reconstruction (following Breast cancer)	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction following breast cancer, refer to Breast Reconstruction following Mastectomy for coverage details.
Breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome, refer to Breast Reconstruction for Poland Syndrome for coverage details.
Cosmetic reasons	Collagen injections for cosmetic reasons are NOT COVERED.

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Advantage PartnerCare (I- SNP), continued

Reason	Information
Other medical reasons	<p>Covered under surgical benefits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Example (but there are many others): Xiaflex (collagenase clostridium histolyticum) is a collagen injection that treats Dupuytren's contracture, a condition of the hand resulting in bent fingers that cannot be straightened. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Refer to Dupuytren's Contracture Surgery for surgical treatment of this condition. • Refer to the EOC. Copays depend on place of service. • Provider must bill per Medicare Product Grid. • Medica is the only payer.
Urinary incontinence	<p>When collagen injections are being done for urinary incontinence, refer to Urethral Bulking Agents for Urinary Incontinence for coverage details.</p>

Medicaid (SPP)

Coverage depends on the reason for the collagen injection. Refer to the table below.

Reason	Information
Breast reconstruction (following Breast cancer)	<p>When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction following breast cancer, refer to Breast Reconstruction following Mastectomy for coverage details.</p>
Breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome	<p>When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome, refer to Breast Reconstruction for Poland Syndrome for coverage details.</p>

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Medicaid (SPP), continued

Reason	Information
Cosmetic reasons	Collagen injections for cosmetic reasons are NOT COVERED.
Other medical reasons	<p>Covered under surgical benefits. Quote physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clinic POS: Also quote office visit benefits when done in the clinic.• Example (but there are many others): Xiaflex (collagenase clostridium histolyticum) is a collagen injection that treats Dupuytren's contracture, a condition of the hand resulting in bent fingers that cannot be straightened.• Refer to Dupuytren's Contracture Surgery for surgical treatment of this condition.
Urinary incontinence	When collagen injections are being done for urinary incontinence, refer to Urethral Bulking Agents for Urinary Incontinence for coverage details.

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Coverage depends on the reason for the collagen injection. Refer to the table below.

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Breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome, refer to Breast Reconstruction for Poland Syndrome for coverage details.
Cosmetic reasons	Collagen injections for cosmetic reasons are NOT COVERED.
Other medical reasons	<p>Covered under surgical benefits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Example (but there are many others): Xiaflex (collagenase clostridium histolyticum) is a collagen injection that treats Dupuytren's contracture, a condition of the hand resulting in bent fingers that cannot be straightened. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Refer to Dupuytren's Contracture Surgery for surgical treatment of this condition. • Follows Medicare guidelines. • Provider must bill per Medicare Product Grid. • Reminder: Members can use non-Medica Service Area providers. Refer to Out-of-MSA Benefits.
Urinary incontinence	When collagen injections are being done for urinary incontinence, refer to Urethral Bulking Agents for Urinary Incontinence for coverage details.

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Coverage depends on the reason for the collagen injection. Refer to the table below.

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Urinary incontinence	When collagen injections are being done for urinary incontinence, refer to Urethral Bulking Agents for Urinary Incontinence for coverage details.

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Individual and Family Business (IFB)

Introduction	Coverage depends on the reason for the collagen injection. Refer to the appropriate section below.
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Breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome, refer to Breast Reconstruction for Poland Syndrome for coverage details.
Cosmetic reasons	Collagen injections for cosmetic reasons are NOT COVERED.
Other medical conditions	<p>Covered under surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clinic POS: Also quote office visit benefits when done in the clinic.• Example (but there are many others): Xiaflex (collagenase clostridium histolyticum) is a collagen injection that treats Dupuytren's contracture, a condition of the hand resulting in bent fingers that cannot be straightened.<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Refer to Dupuytren's Contracture Surgery for surgical treatment of this condition.
Urinary incontinence	When collagen injections are being done for urinary incontinence, refer to Urethral Bulking Agents for Urinary Incontinence for coverage details.

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Medica Health Plan Solutions (MHPS)

Introduction	This section applies to all Medica Health Plan Solutions (MHPS) members.
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Breast reconstruction (following breast cancer)	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction following breast cancer, refer to Breast Reconstruction following Mastectomy for coverage details.
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Breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome	When collagen injections are being done for breast reconstruction for Poland Syndrome, refer to Breast Reconstruction for Poland Syndrome for coverage details.
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Cosmetic reasons	Collagen injections for cosmetic reasons are NOT COVERED.
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Other medical conditions	Coverage depends on the employer.
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Employer	Coverage
Mayo Medical Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Covered under surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.• Clinic POS: Also quote office visit benefits when done in the clinic.• Example (but there are many others): Xiaflex (collagenase clostridium histolyticum) is a collagen injection that treats Dupuytren's contracture, a condition of the hand resulting in bent fingers that cannot be straightened.<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Refer to Dupuytren's Contracture Surgery for surgical treatment of this condition.

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Other medical conditions, continued

Employer	Coverage
All others	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Covered under surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.• Clinic POS: Also quote office visit benefits when done in the clinic.• Example (but there are many others): Xiaflex (collagenase clostridium histolyticum) is a collagen injection that treats Dupuytren's contracture, a condition of the hand resulting in bent fingers that cannot be straightened.<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Refer to Dupuytren's Contracture Surgery for surgical treatment of this condition.

Urinary incontinence

When collagen injections are being done for urinary incontinence, refer to [Urethral Bulking Agents for Urinary Incontinence](#) for coverage details.

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Applicability

Business Segments		
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Specific Clients/Products		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
Platform or System		
<input type="checkbox"/> All <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
Departments		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Call Center <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple: <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
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