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Cell Therapy for the Treatment of Cardiac Disease

Description

Procedure involves the transplantation of stem cells (other cell types can also be used) from the blood, bone marrow, or other source into the heart for repairing damaged heart tissue.

Note: Members may call this a Stem Cell Transplant; however, while this may use transplantation of stem cells, this is specific to transplantation of cells FOR CARDIAC DISEASE.

See also

Similar, related, or easily confused documents.

- <u>Stem Cell and Cellular Bone Matrix Products for Orthopedic Applications</u> Stem cells can be obtained from the patient (autologous) or from a donor (allogeneic) and are then injected into the affected site.
- <u>Stem Cell Therapy for Peripheral Artery Disease</u> Stem cells taken from the patient are processed and injected into the patient's leg(s) to promote new circulation as a treatment for peripheral artery disease, a circulatory problem in which narrowed arteries reduce blood flow to the limbs.
- <u>Transplants</u> For bone marrow or stem cell (peripheral or umbilical cord blood) transplantation.

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Commercial

Introduction

This section applies to all Commercial members. Benefit details depend on the member's brand: Dean (including Dean Health Plan (DHP) and Prevea360), Mayo Medical Plan (MMP), or Medica (including MHPS).

Dean (DHP, Prevea360)

Medical Policy, Cell Therapy for the Treatment of Cardiac Disease (MP9578), applies.

Tip: For instructions on locating policies, see **Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines**.

• Considered investigative, not covered.

Mayo Medical Plan (MMP)

Medica's Coverage Policy, Cell Therapy Treatment of Cardiac Disease, applies.

Tip: For instructions on locating policies, see Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines.

• Considered investigative, not covered.

Medica (including MHPS)

Medica's Coverage Policy, Cell Therapy Treatment of Cardiac Disease, applies.

Tip: For instructions on locating policies, see <u>Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines</u>.

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Government Programs

Introduction

This section applies to all Medicaid and Medicare products.

AccessAbility (SNBC),

Medicaid only groups:

• See Medicaid below.

Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)

Medicare eligible groups:

- Considered investigative, not covered.
- Note: If the member says this is medically necessary, offer a Member-Initiated PA (Organization Determination) Request.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medicare is the primary payer.
- If no Medicare eligibility, Medicaid applies. See Medicaid below.

AccessAbility Enhanced (I-SNBC),

Medica's Coverage Policy, Cell Therapy Treatment of Cardiac Disease, applies.

Tip: For instructions on locating policies, see <u>Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines</u>.

DUAL (MSHO)

- Considered investigative, not covered.
- **Note**: If the member says this is medically necessary, offer a Member-Initiated PA (Organization Determination) Request.
- Medica is the only payer.

Cost (Prime)

Check for an LCD or NCD. If one does not exist, Medica's Coverage Policy, Cell Therapy Treatment of Cardiac Disease, applies.

Tip: For instructions on locating policies, see **Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines**.

- Considered investigative, not covered.
- **Note**: If the member says this is medically necessary, offer a Member-Initiated PA (Organization Determination) Request.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.

Med Advantage

Medica's Coverage Policy, Cell Therapy Treatment of Cardiac Disease, applies.

Tip: For instructions on locating policies, see <u>Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines</u>.

- Considered investigative, not covered.
 - **Note**: If the member says this is medically necessary, offer a <u>Member-Initiated PA (Organization Determination) Request</u>.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medica is the only payer.

Med Supp (Select, Signature)

Considered investigative, not covered.

- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medicare supplement.
- Medicare is the primary payer.

Medicaid

Medica's Coverage Policy, Cell Therapy Treatment of Cardiac Disease, applies.

Tip: For instructions on locating policies, see <u>Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines</u>.

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Individual and Family Business (IFB)

Introduction

This section applies to all Individual and Family Business (IFB) members. Benefit details depend on the member's brand: Dean (including Dean Health Plan (DHP), Medica (formerly WellFirst), and Prevea360) or Medica.

Dean (DHP, Medica formerly WellFirst, Prevea360)

Medical Policy, Cell Therapy for the Treatment of Cardiac Disease (MP9578), applies.

Tip: For instructions on locating policies, see **Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines**.

• Considered investigative, not covered.

Medica

Medica's Coverage Policy, Cell Therapy Treatment of Cardiac Disease, applies.

Tip: For instructions on locating policies, see <u>Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines</u>.

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