

Cochlear Implant

Also known as	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bionic earsHearing neuroprosthesisKanso 2 sound processorNucleus 8 sound processor						
Description	Cochlear implant is a surgically implanted neuroprosthesis device that improves hearing. It electrically stimulates the auditory nerve to produce the sensation of sound based on signals received from an external electronic speech processor. It is a used for patients with severe-to-profound deafness.						
See also	<p>Similar, related, or easily confused documents.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Hearing Aids - Electronic devices worn to amplify sound.Hearing Exam - Test performed by physicians or audiologists to determine hearing problems.						
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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)	<p>Quote 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.• Bilateral implants: Typically a single implant is needed. Bilateral implants (one for each ear), are covered when needed.• Supplies, repairs, and batteries: Quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.• Assistive listening devices: FM transmitters and other upgrades are not covered.						
Mayo Medical Plan (MMP)	<p>Quote 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.• Bilateral implants: Typically a single implant is needed. Bilateral implants (one for each ear), are covered when needed.• Supplies, repairs, and batteries: Quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.• Assistive listening devices: FM transmitters and other upgrades are not covered.• Claim issues: Typically the implant supplier bills the servicing provider for the implant. The servicing provider submits a claim for the device and surgical implantation.<ul style="list-style-type: none">– If the supplier bills the member directly, there will be a separate claim.– There are no INN implant providers. Send a Client Specialist request to process the claim at INN benefits.						
Medica (including MHPS)	<p>Quote 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.• Bilateral implants: Typically a single implant is needed. Bilateral implants (one for each ear), are covered when needed.• Supplies, repairs, and batteries: Quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.• Assistive listening devices: FM transmitters and other upgrades are not covered.• Claim issues: Typically the implant supplier bills the servicing provider for the implant. The servicing provider submits a claim for the device and surgical implantation.<ul style="list-style-type: none">– If the supplier bills the member directly, there will be a separate claim.– There are no INN implant providers.<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ ISSET: A Temporary CPE (CPE 99T) is required to process the claim at INN benefits.▪ HealthRules: Send a Client Specialist request to process the claim at INN benefits.						
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Government Programs

Introduction	This section applies to all Medicaid and Medicare products.				
AccessAbility (SNBC), Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)	<p>Medicaid only groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">See Medicaid below. <p>Medicare eligible groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.Follows Medicare guidelines.Medicare is the primary payer.If no Medicare eligibility, Medicaid applies. See Medicaid below.				
AccessAbility Enhanced (I-SNBC), DUAL (MSHO)	<p>Quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Bilateral implants: Typically a single implant is needed. Bilateral implants (one for each ear), are covered when needed.Supplies, repairs, and batteries: Covered under durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.Assistive listening devices: FM transmitters and other upgrades are not covered.Claim issues: Typically the implant supplier bills the servicing provider for the implant. The servicing provider submits a claim for the device and surgical implantation.<ul style="list-style-type: none">If the supplier bills the member directly, there will be a separate claim.There are no INN implant providers. A CPE is required to process the claim at INN benefits.Medica is the only payer.				
Cost (Prime)	<p>A National Coverage Determination (NCD), <i>Cochlear Implantation</i>, is on medicare.gov.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Covered indications are listed under <i>Nationally Covered Indications</i>.If eligible, quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.Repairs: Quote durable medical equipment benefits.Eligible providers: Can be billed by a various providers (such as audiologists, physicians, or speech language pathologists).Follows Medicare guidelines.				
Med Advantage	<p>A National Coverage Determination (NCD), <i>Cochlear Implantation</i>, is on medicare.gov.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Covered indications are listed under <i>Nationally Covered Indications</i>.If eligible, quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.Repairs: Quote durable medical equipment benefits.Eligible providers: Can be billed by a various providers (such as audiologists, physicians, or speech language pathologists).Follows Medicare guidelines.Medica is the only payer.				
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Individual and Family Business (IFB)

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