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## **Endovenous Mechanochemical Ablation (MOCA) for Treatment of Varicose Veins**

#### Also known as

ClariVein

#### Description

Endovenous mechanochemical ablation (MOCA), which goes by the commercial name of ClariVein, is a technique that combines mechanical ablation (removal or destruction) with the use of a sclerosing (hardening) agent to close veins. MOCA is a nonthermal technique for the treatment of varicose veins that combines endomechanical abrasion via the tip of a rotating catheter wire with chemical ablation delivered by injecting a sclerosant over the rotating wire. This technique induces clotting, resulting in the formation of a thrombus and occlusion of the diseased vessel.

#### See also

Similar, related, or easily confused documents.

- Endovenous Radiofrequency or Laser Ablation for Varicose Veins Minimally invasive procedures to treat varicose veins.
- Medical Adhesive for Treatment of Varicose Veins Medical adhesive (glue) is inserted into the diseased vein.
- Sclerotherapy for Spider Veins Injection of a solution directly into affected veins, causing them to shrink and disappear.
- <u>Sclerotherapy for Varicose Veins</u> Injection of a solution directly into affected veins, causing them to shrink and disappear.
- Stab Phlebectomy Surgical removal of segments of superficial varicose veins through multiple small incisions on the leg.
- <u>Transilluminated Powered Phlebectomy</u> A minimally invasive procedure to excise varicose veins.
- Vein Stripping Surgery to remove a painful, enlarged varicose vein or portion of a varicose vein (usually of the leg).

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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, Varicose Vein and Venous Insufficiency Treatments of the Lower Extremities (MP9241), applies.

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

• Considered investigative, not covered.

# Mayo Medical Plan (MMP)

Coverage depends on the provider.

Provider	Coverage
Mayo	Quote surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.
provider	Clinic POS: Also quote office visit benefits when done in the clinic.
Non-mayo provider	<ul> <li>Medica's Utilization Management Policy, Varicose Vein and Venous Insufficiency Treatments of the Lower Extremities, applies.</li> <li>Tip: For instructions on locating policies, see Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines.</li> <li>Considered investigative, not covered.</li> </ul>

## Medica (including MHPS)

Medica's Utilization Management Policy, Varicose Vein and Venous Insufficiency Treatments of the Lower Extremities, applies.

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

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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:

- Medicare NCD or LCD guidelines must be met.
  - If eligible, quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.
  - Prior authorization (PA) not required.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medicare is the primary payer.
- If no Medicare eligibility, Medicaid applies. See Medicaid below.

### AccessAbility Enhanced (I-SNBC),

Medica's Utilization Management Policy, Varicose Vein and Venous Insufficiency Treatments of the Lower Extremities, 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 <u>Member-Initiated PA (Organization Determination) Request</u>.
- Medica is the only payer.

### Cost (Prime)

Medicare NCD or LCD guidelines must be met.

- If eligible, quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.
- Does NOT require prior authorization (PA) through Medica.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.

#### Med Advantage

Medica's Utilization Management Policy, Varicose Vein and Venous Insufficiency Treatments of the Lower Extremities, 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 <u>Member-Initiated PA (Organization Determination) Request</u>.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medica is the only payer.

### Med Supp (Select, Signature)

Medicare NCD or LCD guidelines must be met.

- If eligible, quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.
- Prior authorization (PA) not required.
- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medicare supplement.
- Medicare is the primary payer.

## Medicaid

Medica's Utilization Management Policy, Varicose Vein and Venous Insufficiency Treatments of the Lower Extremities, 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, Varicose Vein and Venous Insufficiency Treatments of the Lower Extremities (MP9241), applies.

**Tip**: For instructions on locating policies, see <a href="Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines">Coverage and Prior Authorization Guidelines</a>.

• Considered investigative, not covered.

### Medica

Medica's Utilization Management Policy, Varicose Vein and Venous Insufficiency Treatments of the Lower Extremities, applies.

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

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