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Arthrodesis (Small Joint)

Also known as

- 1. Artificial ankylosis
- 2. Joint fusion
- 3. Syndesis

Description

Surgical repair of joint using internal wires and/ or screws to hold a joint in place to aid in healing.

This document describes benefits for small joints including:

- Elbow
- Finger
- Wrist

Large joints or spine: For large joints (hip, knee, or shoulder) see Arthrodesis (Large Joint). For spine see Spinal Fusion.

See also

Similar, related, or easily confused documents.

- <u>Arthrodesis (Large Joint)</u> Surgical repair of a large joint using internal wires and/ or screws to hold a joint in place to aid in healing.
- Arthroplasty Surgical procedure to replace a joint.
- Spinal fusion AKA Spinal arthrodesis. Permanently fuses two or more vertebrae.

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Commercial

Introduction

This section applies to all Commercial brands: Dean Health Plan (DHP), Mayo Medical Plan (MMP), Medica (including MHPS), and Prevea360.

Benefits (all except MMP)

Quote surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.

• Clinic POS: Also quote office visit benefits when done in the clinic.

Mayo Medical Plan (MMP)

Quote surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.

• Clinic POS: Also quote office visit benefits when done in the clinic.

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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:

- 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),

Quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.

• Medica is the only payer.

DUAL (MSHO)

Cost (Prime)

Quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.

• Follows Medicare guidelines.

Med Advantage

Quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.

- Follows Medicare guidelines.
- Medica is the only payer.

Med Supp (Select, Signature)

Quote outpatient surgical or inpatient hospital benefits.

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

Medicaid

Quote surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.

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Individual and Family Business (IFB)

Introduction

This section applies to all Individual and Family Business (IFB) brands: Dean Health Plan (DHP), Medica, Medica (formerly WellFirst), and Prevea360.

Benefits

Quote surgical benefits. Include physician, hospital, and anesthesia benefits.

• Clinic POS: Also quote office visit benefits when done in the clinic.

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