Policy: MP309
Section: Medical Benefit Policy
Subject: Computerized Dynamic Posturography

I. Policy: Computerized Dynamic Posturography

II. Purpose/Objective:
To provide a policy of coverage regarding Computerized Dynamic Posturography

III. Responsibility:
A. Medical Directors
B. Medical Management

IV. Required Definitions
1. Attachment – a supporting document that is developed and maintained by the policy writer or department requiring/authoring the policy.
2. Exhibit – a supporting document developed and maintained in a department other than the department requiring/authoring the policy.
3. Devised – the date the policy was implemented.
4. Revised – the date of every revision to the policy, including typographical and grammatical changes.
5. Reviewed – the date documenting the annual review if the policy has no revisions necessary.

V. Additional Definitions
Medical Necessity or Medically Necessary means Covered Services rendered by a Health Care Provider that the Plan determines are:

a. appropriate for the symptoms and diagnosis or treatment of the Member's condition, illness, disease or injury;
b. provided for the diagnosis, and the direct care and treatment of the Member's condition, illness disease or injury;
c. in accordance with current standards of good medical treatment practiced by the general medical community.
d. not primarily for the convenience of the Member, or the Member's Health Care Provider; and
e. the most appropriate source or level of service that can safely be provided to the Member. When applied to hospitalization, this further means that the Member requires acute care as an inpatient due to the nature of the services rendered or the Member's condition, and the Member cannot receive safe or adequate care as an outpatient.

Medicaid Business Segment
Medical Necessity shall mean a service or benefit that is compensable under the Medical Assistance Program and if it meets any one of the following standards:

(i) The service or benefit will, or is reasonably expected to, prevent the onset of an illness, condition or disability.
(ii) The service or benefit will, or is reasonably expected to, reduce or ameliorate the physical, mental or development effects of an illness, condition, injury or disability.
(iii) The service or benefit will assist the Member to achieve or maintain maximum functional
capacity in performing daily activities, taking into account both the functional capacity of the Member and those functional capacities that are appropriate for members of the same age.

DESCRIPTION: Computerized dynamic posturography (CDP), (also known as dynamic posturography or moving platform posturography) uses an enclosed platform surrounded by a visual field to evaluate a person’s functional ability to maintain balance. By manipulating the angle of the platform and/or altering the visual field, the device is proposed to assess the coordination of visual, vestibular, and somatosensory information as it relates to control of posture under controlled laboratory conditions.

EXCLUSIONS: There is a lack of well-designed, randomized controlled trials in the peer-reviewed medical literature that demonstrate the diagnostic utility or clinical utility of CDP compared with standard tests such as electronystagmography and rotational chair testing. Therefore it is consider to be Experimental, Investigational or Unproven, and NOT COVERED.

Note: A complete description of the process by which a given technology or service is evaluated and determined to be experimental, investigational or unproven is outlined in MP 15 - Experimental Investigational or Unproven Services or Treatment.

CODING ASSOCIATED WITH: Computerized Dynamic Posturography
The following codes are included below for informational purposes and may not be all inclusive. Inclusion of a procedure or device code(s) does not constitute or imply coverage nor does it imply or guarantee provider reimbursement. Coverage is determined by the member specific benefit plan document and any applicable laws regarding coverage of specific services.

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LINE OF BUSINESS:
Eligibility and contract specific benefits, limitations and/or exclusions will apply. Coverage statements found in the line of business specific benefit document will supersede this policy. For Medicare, applicable LCD’s and NCD’s will supercede this policy For PA Medicaid Business segment, this policy applies as written.

REFERENCES:


ECRI Institute Technology Assessment Custom Hotline Response, Dynamic Posturography to Diagnose Mobility Disorders, 12/13/04.


This policy will be revised as necessary and reviewed no less than annually.

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Revised:

Reviewed: 6/17, 6/18, 6/19