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Gender Affirming Services Corporate Medical Policy

File Name: Gender Affirmation

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Description/Summary

This policy addresses non-surgical and surgical treatments as components of gender affirming care for transgender and gender diverse people.

Coding Information

Click the links below for attachments, coding tables & instructions.

Attachment I- CPT® code table & instructions

Attachment II- ICD-10-CM code table

Hormone Therapy

Hormone therapy is a component of gender affirming treatment.

When a service may be considered medically necessary

Hormone therapy may include gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH) analogs to suppress puberty. Gender affirming hormone therapy including but not limited to estrogen and testosterone products may also be part of a treatment.

NOTE: While prescribing such treatment is at the discretion of the treating provider, refer to applicable BCBSVT pharmacy policy for specific coverage criteria.

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Speech Therapy/Voice Training Services

When services are considered medically necessary

Feminizing or masculinizing speech therapy and/or voice training services is considered medically necessary.

Surgical Gender Affirming Services

Gender affirming surgeries are eligible for coverage when medical necessity and documentation requirements outlined within this policy are met.

When a service may be considered medically necessary

Gender affirming surgeries may be considered **medically necessary** when **ALL** of the following criteria are met:

- The member is at least 18 years of age.
 NOTE: See below for additional criteria for members under 18 years of age.
- There is documentation that the member has participated in six consecutive months
 of hormone therapy under the supervision of a health care provider, unless hormone
 therapy is medically contraindicated or does not support the member's gender identity
 goals. Prolonged hormone therapy may help maximize surgical outcomes in certain
 clinical situations.
 - NOTE: Hormone therapy is not a prerequisite for mastectomy
- Documentation that the member has knowledge of all practical aspects (e.g., required lengths of hospitalizations, likely complications, and post-surgical rehabilitation) of the gender affirmation surgery.
- Documentation of one current (within the past 12 months) referral letter from a qualified mental health professional or health care provider who has assessed the member's readiness for gender affirming surgery.

Referral letters for surgery must include the following clinical information:

- Results of the member's psychosocial assessment, including any diagnoses.
- The member's general identifying characteristics.
- A description of the clinical rationale supporting the member's request for surgery.

When all of the above criteria are met for gender affirming surgery, the following genital procedures may be considered **medically necessary:**

- Labiaplasty
- Metoidioplasty
- Penectomy
- Phalloplasty
- Prostatectomy
- Scrotoplasty

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- Testicular prostheses implantation
- Urethroplasty
- Vaginectomy
- Vaginoplasty
- Vulvectomy

Electrolysis and/or laser hair removal may be considered **medically necessary** when required by a surgeon for removal of hair on skin being used for approved gender affirming genital procedures listed above.

Excision of excessive skin and subcutaneous tissue, including mons resection may be considered **medical necessary** when performed in conjunction with approved gender affirming genital procedures for the procedures listed above.

When all of the above criteria are met for gender affirmation surgery, the following chest procedures may be considered **medically necessary**:

- Breast Augmentation
- Breast reconstruction

NOTE: For breast surgery not related to gender affirmation refer to BCBSVT Breast Surgery and Breast Prosthesis Corporate Medical Policy.

When all of the above criteria are met for gender affirming surgery, the following facial procedures may be considered **medically necessary**:

- Forehead contouring
- Scalp advancement (only as needed in conjunction with forehead contouring)
- Rhinoplasty
- Mandible reconstruction
- Trachea shave
- Cheek augmentation
- Face lift or liposuction (only as needed in conjunction with one of the above procedures)
- Neck lift (only if the excess skin impairs the outcome of the covered facial procedures)

Surgical Revisions and Reconstruction

When a service may be considered medically necessary

Reconstructive chest and genital surgery following gender affirmation surgery may be considered **medically necessary** when it is performed to:

- Correct complications resulting from the initial surgery; OR
- Correct functional impairment resulting from initial surgery

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NOTE: A referral letter from a mental health professional is not needed for medically necessary revision and reconstructive services

Surgical Services for Adolescents

WPATH SOC-8 guidelines support an individualized approach to gender affirming services including surgery including a multidisciplinary approach including the individual and family. Gender affirming surgeries for adolescents are eligible for coverage when medical necessity and documentation requirements outlined within this policy are met.

When a service may be considered medically necessary

In addition to meeting the above criteria, requests for gender affirming surgeries for members under 18 years of age may be considered **medically necessary** only when also accompanied by documentation to support **ALL** of the following:

- The member has informed and realistic expectations regarding the possibilities and limitations of surgery and the full understanding of long-term consequences of surgical procedures including their irreversible nature.
- The member has been assessed for co-exiting mental health concerns and is not requesting surgery as an initial response to gender dysphoric puberty.
- There is documentation that the member has participated in 12 consecutive months of gender affirming hormone therapy or longer, if required, to achieve the desired surgical result, under the supervision of a health care provider, unless hormone therapy is either medically contraindicated or does not support the member's gender identity goals.

NOTE: Hormone therapy is not a prerequisite for mastectomy

When service is considered not medically necessary and therefore not covered

- Services or procedures when medical necessity and documentation requirements outlined within this policy are not met.
- When prior approval is not obtained.
- Reversal of a gender transition including reversal of gender affirmation surgery
- Treatment with hormones or medications to reverse a gender transition
- Reconstructive surgery following gender affirmation surgery to reverse natural signs of aging or if the member is not satisfied with the surgical result.

The following services are considered a benefit exclusion and therefore not covered

Cosmetic Services

Services for the purpose of changing secondary sexual characteristics are considered cosmetic and contract exclusions for all products of the Plan and therefore not covered. Including but not limited to:

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- Blepharoplasty: removal of redundant skin of upper and/or lower eyelids and protruding periorbital fat
- Hair removal or hair transplantation (except as part of approved gender affirming genital procedures above)
- Collagen injections
- Lip reduction/enhancement: decreasing/enlarging lip size
- Cricothyroid approximation: voice modification that raises the vocal pitch by simulating contractions of the cricothyroid muscle with sutures
- Laryngoplasty: reshaping of laryngeal framework (voice modification surgery)
- Mastopexy: breast lift

For a list of additional services that are considered cosmetic and therefore, non-covered, refer to BCBSVT Cosmetic and Reconstructive Procedures Corporate Medical Policy.

Policy Guidelines

DOCUMENTATION INFORMATION

The individual's medical record must reflect the medical necessity for the care provided. These medical records may include but are not limited to, records from the professional provider's office, hospital, nursing home, home health agencies, therapies, and test reports.

See coding tables below for procedures (<u>Attachment I</u>), and diagnosis (<u>Attachment II</u>) which are eligible per this medical policy. Procedures listed below may be eligible when medical necessity and documentation requirements outlined within this policy are met.

BILLING GUIDELINES

When reporting procedure code 55970 (Intersex surgery; male to female), the following staged procedures to remove portions of the male genitalia and form female external genitals are included:

- The penis is dissected, and portions are removed with care to preserve vital nerves and vessels in order to fashion a clitoris-like structure.
- The urethral opening is moved to a position similar to that of a female.
- A vagina is made by dissecting and opening the perineum. This opening is lined using pedicle or split- thickness grafts.
- Labia are created out of skin from the scrotum and adjacent tissue.
- A stent or obturator is usually left in place in the newly created vagina for three weeks or longer.

When reporting procedure code 55980 (Intersex surgery; female to male), the following staged procedures to form a penis and scrotum using pedicle flap grafts and free skin grafts are included:

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- Portions of the clitoris are used, as well as the adjacent skin.
- Prostheses are often placed in the penis to create a sexually functional organ.
- Prosthetic testicles are implanted in the scrotum.
- The vagina is closed or removed.

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Related Policies

Breast Surgery and Breast Prosthesis Cosmetic and Reconstructive Procedures

Document Precedence

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont (BCBSVT) Medical Policies are developed to provide clinical guidance and are based on research of current medical literature and review of common medical practices in the treatment and diagnosis of disease. The applicable group/individual contract and member certificate language, or employer's benefit plan if an ASO group, determines benefits that are in effect at the time of service. Since medical practices and knowledge are constantly evolving, BCBSVT reserves the right to review and revise its medical policies periodically. To the extent that there may be any conflict between medical policy and contract/employer benefit plan language, the member's contract/employer benefit plan language takes precedence.

Audit Information

BCBSVT reserves the right to conduct audits on any provider and/or facility to ensure compliance with the guidelines stated in the medical policy. If an audit identifies instances of non-compliance with this medical policy, BCBSVT reserves the right to recoup all non-compliant payments.

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Administrative and Contractual Guidance

Benefit Determination Guidance

Prior approval may be required and benefits are subject to all terms, limitations and conditions of the subscriber contract.

Incomplete authorization requests may result in a delay of decision pending submission of missing information. To be considered compete, see policy guidelines above.

Federal Employee Program (FEP): Members may have different benefits that apply. For further information please contact FEP customer service or refer to the FEP Service Benefit Plan Brochure. It is important to verify the member's benefits prior to providing the service to determine if benefits are available or if there is a specific exclusion in the member's benefit.

If the member receives benefits through an Administrative Services Only (ASO) group, benefits may vary or not apply. To verify benefit information, please refer to the member's employer benefit plan documents or contact the customer service department. Language in the employer benefit plan documents takes precedence over medical policy when there is a conflict.

Policy Implementation/Update information

05/30/2011	New Policy- UVM Coverage only. Excluded from all other contracts.	
10/2012	Minor format changes. No coding changes. Medical/Clinical Coder reviewed.	
05/2013	Reviewed for health exchange/ new DFR regulation. "Unfair discrimination", Insurance Bulletin No. 174. Added coding tables for CPT® and ICD-9 and ICD-10. Removed language that was specific to UVM group coverage and removed language pertaining to GD/Transgender exclusions since the exclusions no longer apply. RLJ.	
06/2016	Changes made based on WPATH standards of care. Hormone	
6/2017	Changes made based on WPATH standards of care in reference to under age 18 criteria exceptions. Reference updated, removed description section, minor formatting changes. Updated descriptors of CPT and ICD 10 codes. Removed duplicated code table. Added ICD 10 F64.0 under ICD 10 table.	

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03/2019	Removal of letter and prior approval requirement for hysterectomy, salpingo-oophorectomy and orchiectomy. Added an additional female to male genital surgery procedure Code 15240, 17380 requires prior authorization. Codes 52520, 54690, 58150, 58180, 58260, 58262, 58275, 58290, 58291, 58541, 58542, 58543, 58544, 58550, 58552, 58553, 58554, 58570, 58571, ,58572, 58573, 58720 removed from requiring prior approval to not requiring prior approval. Code 15830 removed from benefit exception to requiring prior approval. Added language around electrolysis. Removed code ranges in procedure table. Code 17380 requires prior authorization.
07/2019	Reviewed added codes 15200 requires prior approval. Updated references.
10/2020	Medical necessity criteria added for Hormone Therapy. Policy formatted and language clarified. References updated. Removed code 19304 effective 01/01/2020.
12/2021	Policy reviewed. Name changed from Transgender Services to Gender Affirming Services (Trans Services). Medical necessity changed to include Facial Surgery consistent with WPATH SOC 8 draft updated language to include gender diverse individuals, removed two letter referral requirement and updated references. New table created for facial surgery with the following summary: added Facial surgery codes: 15824, 15825, 15826, 15828, 15876, 21120, 21121, 21122, 21123, 21125, 21127, 21137, 21138, 21139, 21208, 21209, 21270, 21299, 21499, 30400, 30410, 30420, 31599. Updated Benefit Exclusion table.
05/2023	Policy reviewed with network provider/subject matter expert, concerned parties. Extensive changes and updates made considering WPATH SOC8 Guidelines. Formatting changes made for clarity including a separate section for Surgical Service for Adolescents. References updated. Added code 19318 to coding table as requiring prior approval.
09/2024	Policy reviewed. Clarification around medical necessity criteria for members under 18 years of age without change to policy intent.

Eligible Providers

Qualified healthcare professionals practicing within the scope of their license(s).

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Attachment I CPT® Code Table & Instructions

Code Type	Number	Brief Description	Policy Instructions
	The foll	owing codes will be considered as me when applicable criteria have bee	
	F	Procedures (male to female) or Gende	er Diverse
CPT®	15200	Full thickness graft, free, including direct closure of donor site, trunk; 20 sq cm or less	Prior approval required
CPT®	15240	Full thickness graft, free, including direct closure of donor site, forehead, cheeks, chin, mouth, neck, axillae, genitalia, hands, and/or feet; 20 sq cm or less	Prior approval required
CPT®	15830	Excision, excessive skin and subcutaneous tissue (includes lipectomy); abdomen, infraumbilical panniculectomy	Prior approval required
CPT®	17380	Electrolysis, epilation, each 30 minutes	Prior approval required
CPT®	19325	Mammaplasty, augmentation; with prosthetic implant	Prior approval required
CPT [®]	19350	Nipple/areola reconstruction	Prior approval required
CPT®	53430	Urethroplasty, reconstruction of female urethra	Prior approval required
CPT®	54125	Amputation of penis; complete	Prior approval required

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CPT®	54520	Orchiectomy, simple (including subcapsular), with or without testicular prosthesis, scrotal or inguinal approach	Prior approval is not required	
CPT®	54690	Laparoscopy, surgical; orchiectomy	Prior approval is not required	
CPT®	55866	Laparoscopy, surgical prostatectomy, retropubic radical, including nerve sparing, includes robotic assistance, when performed.	Prior approval required	
CPT®	55970	Intersexsurgery; male to female	See "Billing Guidelines" section of this medical policy for instructions on this code. Prior approval required	
CPT [®]	56800	Plastic repair of introitus	Prior approval required	
CPT [®]	56805	Clitoroplasty for intersex state	Prior approval required	
CPT®	57291	Construction of artificial vagina; without graft	Prior approval required	
CPT®	57292	Construction of artificial vagina; with graft	Prior approval required	
CPT®	57295	Revision (including removal) of prosthetic vaginal graft, vaginal approach	Prior approval required	
CPT®	57296	Revision (including removal) of prosthetic vaginal graft, open abdominal approach	Prior approval required	
CPT®	57335	Vaginoplasty for intersex state	Prior approval required	
CPT®	57426	Revision (including removal) of prosthetic vaginal graft, laparoscopic approach	Prior approval required	
	Procedures (female to male) or Gender Diverse			
CPT®	19303	Mastectomy, simple, complete	Prior approval required	
CPT®	19318	Breast reduction	Prior approval required	
CPT®	19350	Nipple/areola reconstruction	Prior approval required	
CPT®	53420	Urethroplasty, 2-stage reconstruction or repair of prostatic or membranous urethra; first stage	Prior approval required	

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		Urethroplasty, 2-stage	
CPT®	53425	reconstruction or repair of prostatic or membranous urethra; second stage	Prior approval required
CPT®	54660	Insertion of testicular prosthesis (separate procedure)	Prior approval required
CPT®	55175	Scrotoplasty; simple	Prior approval required
CPT®	55180	Scrotoplasty; complicated	Prior approval required
CPT®	55980	Intersex surgery; female to male	See "Billing Guidelines" section of this medical policy for instructions on this code.
CDT®	F//2F	N	Prior approval required
CPT [®]	56625	Vulvectomy simple; complete	Prior approval required
CPT®	57106	Vaginectomy, partial removal of vaginal wall	Prior approval required
CPT®	57110	Vaginectomy, complete removal of vaginal wall	Prior approval required
CPT®	58150	Total abdominal hysterectomy (corpus and cervix), with or without removal of tubes(s), with or without removal of ovary(s)	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58180	Supracervical abdominal hysterectomy (subtotal hysterectomy), with or without removal of tube(s), with or without removal of ovary(s)	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58260	Vaginal hysterectomy, for uterus 250g or less	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58262	Vaginal hysterectomy, for uterus 250g or less; with removal of tubes(s) and/or ovary(s)	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58275	Vaginal hysterectomy, with total or partial vaginectomy	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58290	Vaginal hysterectomy, for uterus greater than 250g	Prior approval is not required

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CPT®	58291	Vaginal hysterectomy, for uterus greater than 250g; with removal of tubes(s) and/or ovary(s)	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58541	Laparoscopy, surgical, supracervical hysterectomy, for uterus 250g or less	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58542	Laparoscopy, surgical, supracervical hysterectomy, for uterus 250g or less; with removal of tube(s) and/or ovary(s)	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58543	Laparoscopy, surgical, supracervical hysterectomy, for uterus greater than 250g	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58544	Laparoscopy, surgical, supracervical hysterectomy, for uterus greater than 250g; with removal of tube(s) and/or ovary(s)	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58550	Laparoscopy, surgical, with vaginal hysterectomy, for uterus 250g or less	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58552	Laparoscopy, surgical, with vaginal hysterectomy, for uterus 250g or less; with removal of tube(s) and/or ovary(s)	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58553	Laparoscopy, surgical, with vaginal hysterectomy, for uterus greater than 250g	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58554	Laparoscopy, surgical, with vaginal hysterectomy, for uterus greater than 250g; with removal of tube(s) and/or ovary(s)	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58570	Laparoscopy, surgical, with total hysterectomy, for uterus 250g or less	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58571	Laparoscopy, surgical, with total hysterectomy, for uterus 250g or less; with removal of tube(s) and/or ovary(s)	Prior approval is not required

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CPT®	58572	Laparoscopy, surgical, with total hysterectomy, for uterus greater than 250g	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58573	Laparoscopy, surgical, with total hysterectomy, for uterus greater than 250g; with removal of tube(s) and/or ovary(s)	Prior approval is not required
CPT®	58720	Salpingo-oophorectomy, complete or partial, unilateral or bilateral (Separate procedure)	Prior approval is not required
		Facial Surgery	
		Brow Reconstruction	
CPT®	21137	Reduction forehead; contouring only	Prior approval required
CPT®	21138	Reduction forehead; contouring and application of prosthetic material or bone graft (includes obtaining autograft)	Prior approval required
CPT®	21139	Reduction forehead; contouring and setback of anterior frontal sinus wall	Prior approval required
CPT®	21208	Osteoplasty, facial bones; augmentation (autograft, allograft, or prosthetic implant)	Prior approval required
CPT®	21209	Osteoplasty, facial bones; reduction	Prior approval required
CPT®	21299	Unlisted craniofacial and maxillofacial procedure	Prior approval required
CPT®	21499	Unlisted musculoskeletal procedure, head	Prior approval required
		Rhinoplasty	
CPT®	30400	Rhinoplasty, primary; lateral and alar cartilages and/or elevation of nasal tip	Prior approval required
CPT®	30410	Rhinoplasty, primary; complete, external parts including bony pyramid, lateral and alar cartilages, and/or elevation of nasal tip	Prior approval required
CPT®	30420	Rhinoplasty, primary; including major septal repair	Prior approval required

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		Cheek Augmentation	
CPT®	21208	Osteoplasty, facial bones; augmentation (autograft, allograft, or prosthetic implant)	Prior approval required
CPT®	21270	Malar augmentation, prosthetic material	Prior approval required
CPT®	21209	Osteoplasty, facial bones; reduction	Prior approval required
		Jaw Reconstruction	
CPT®	21125	Augmentation, mandibular body or angle; prosthetic material	Prior approval required
CPT®	21127	Augmentation, mandibular body or angle; with bone graft, onlay or interpositional (includes obtaining autograft)	Prior approval required
CPT®	21208	Osteoplasty, facial bones; augmentation (autograft, allograft, or prosthetic implant)	Prior approval required
CPT®	21209	Osteoplasty, facial bones; reduction	Prior approval required
CPT®	21299	Unlisted craniofacial and maxillofacial procedure	Prior approval required
CPT®	21499	Unlisted musculoskeletal procedure, head	Prior approval required
		Chin Reconstruction	
CPT®	21120	Genioplasty; augmentation (autograft, allograft, prosthetic material)	Prior approval required
CPT®	21121	Genioplasty; sliding osteotomy, single piece	Prior approval required
CPT®	21122	Genioplasty; sliding osteotomies, 2 or more osteotomies (eg, wedge excision or bone wedge reversal for asymmetrical chin)	Prior approval required
CPT®	21123	Genioplasty; sliding, augmentation with interpositional bone grafts (includes obtaining autografts)	Prior approval required

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CPT®	21208	Osteoplasty, facial bones; augmentation (autograft, allograft, or prosthetic implant)	Prior approval required
CPT®	21209	Osteoplasty, facial bones; reduction	Prior approval required
CPT®	21299	Unlisted craniofacial and maxillofacial procedure	Prior approval required
CPT®	21499	Unlisted musculoskeletal procedure, head	Prior approval required
		Facelift	
CPT®	15824	Rhytidectomy; forehead	Prior approval required
CPT®	15825	Rhytidectomy; neck with platysmal tightening (platysmal flap, P-flap)	Prior approval required
CPT®	15826	Rhytidectomy; glabellar frown lines	Prior approval required
CPT®	15828	Rhytidectomy; cheek, chin, and neck	Prior approval required
		Liposuction	
CPT®	15876	Suction assisted lipectomy; head and neck	Prior approval required
		Trachea Shave	
CPT®	31599	Unlisted procedure, larynx	Prior approval required
		ollowing codes are considered cosmet ied as contract exclusions, therefore i This list may not be all-inclusiv	not covered.
CPT®	11950	Subcutaneous injection of filling material (eg, collagen); 1 cc or less	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	11951	Subcutaneous injection of filling material (eg, collagen); 1.1 to 5.0 cc	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	11952	Subcutaneous injection of filling material (eg, collagen); 5.1 to 10.0	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	11954	Subcutaneous injection of filling material (eg, collagen); over 10.0 cc	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	15775	Punch graft for hair transplant	Contract Exclusion

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CPT®	15776	Punch graft for hair transplant; more than 15 punch grafts	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	15820	Blepharoplasty	Refer to cosmetic medical policy
CPT®	15821	Blepharoplasty, lower eyelid; with extensive herniated fat pad	Refer to cosmetic medical policy
CPT®	15822	Blepharoplasty, upper eyelid;	Refer to cosmetic medical policy
CPT®	15823	Blepharoplasty, upper eyelid; with excessive skin weighting down lid	Refer to cosmetic medical policy
CPT®	15832	Excision, excessive skin and subcutaneous tissue (includes lipectomy); thigh	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	15833	Excision, excessive skin and subcutaneous tissue (includes lipectomy); leg	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	15834	Excision, excessive skin and subcutaneous tissue (includes lipectomy); hip	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	15835	Excision, excessive skin and subcutaneous tissue (includes lipectomy); buttock	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	15836	Excision, excessive skin and subcutaneous tissue (includes lipectomy); arm	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	15837	Excision, excessive skin and subcutaneous tissue (includes lipectomy); forearm or hand	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	15838	Excision, excessive skin and subcutaneous tissue (includes lipectomy); submental fat pad	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	15839	Excision, excessive skin and subcutaneous tissue (includes lipectomy); other area	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	15877	Suction assisted lipectomy; trunk	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	15878	Suction assisted lipectomy; upper extremity	Contract Exclusion

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CPT®	15879	Suction assisted lipectomy; lower extremity	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	19316	Mastopexy	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	30430	Rhinoplasty, secondary; minor revision (small amount of nasal tip work)	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	30435	Rhinoplasty, secondary; intermediate revision (bony work with osteotomies)	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	30450	Rhinoplasty, secondary; major revision (nasal tip work and osteotomies	Contract Exclusion
CPT®	31587	Laryngoplasty, cricoid split, without graft placement	Contract Exclusion

Attachment II ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code Table & Instructions

Code Type	Number	Description	Policy Instructions	
	The following diagnosis codes are considered medically necessary when applicable criteria have been met.			
ICD 10	F64.0	Transsexualism		
ICD 10	F64.1	Dual role transvestism	Use additional code to identify sex affirmation surgery status (Z87.890)	
ICD 10	F64.2	Gender identity disorder of childhood		
ICD 10	F64.8	Other gender identity disorders		
ICD 10	F64.9	Gender identity disorder, unspecified		

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