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Affected Programs: BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid

To: Blood Banks, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Individual Medical Supply Providers, Medical Equipment Vendors, Pharmacies, Physician Clinics, Physicians, Podiatrists, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Coverage Policy for Continuous Glucose Monitoring

This *ForwardHealth Update* outlines the coverage policy for continuous glucose monitoring.

Coverage Policy

Professional Continuous Glucose Monitoring (Provider-Owned Equipment)

Professional continuous glucose monitoring utilizing provider-owned equipment is covered for BadgerCare Plus and Medicaid members as a supplement to standard care for diabetes when the primary care provider or attending provider determines such monitoring is medically necessary to establish an optimal insulin regimen. Results must be monitored and interpreted under physician supervision.

Professional continuous glucose monitoring is a diagnostic measurement of glucose levels received throughout the day and night. This type of glucose monitoring is done as a 3-5 day test to evaluate diabetes control.

Covered Procedure Codes

The following *Current Procedural Terminology* procedure codes are covered for members receiving professional continuous glucose monitoring:

 95250 (Ambulatory continuous glucose monitoring of interstitial tissue fluid via a subcutaneous sensor for a minimum of 72 hours; sensor placement, hook-up, calibration of monitor, patient training, removal of sensor, and printout of recording). 95251 (Ambulatory continuous glucose monitoring of interstitial tissue fluid via a subcutaneous sensor for a minimum of 72 hours; interpretation and report).

For a listing of allowable provider types and places of service, providers may refer to the maximum allowable fee schedules available on the ForwardHealth Portal at www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/.

Note: Procedure code 99091, which describes the collection and interpretation of physiologic data collected in digital format that requires a minimum of 30 minutes interpretation time, should not be used with professional continuous glucose monitoring and cannot be reported in conjunction with procedure code 95250 or 95251.

Procedure code 95251 does not require a face-to-face visit.

Procedure codes 95250 and 95251 require a minimum of 72 hours of data and may be reimbursed up to four times per year but may not be reimbursed more than once per month. Prior authorization is not required.

Supplies and equipment are not separately reimbursable as they are included in the reimbursement for procedure code 95250.

Documentation Requirements

The member's medical record must include documentation supporting the medical necessity of professional continuous glucose monitoring to establish optimal insulin regimens for members with insulin-requiring diabetes and documented inadequate glycemic control. The documentation must also include monitor calibration, member training, sensor removal, and recording printout, as well as the physician report with interpretation and findings based on information obtained during monitoring.

Personal Continuous Glucose Monitoring (Purchased for Individual Member)

Personal continuous glucose monitoring is noncovered.

This includes member-owned continuous glucose monitoring devices, meters, test strips, and other supplies directly related to personal continuous glucose monitoring.

Information Regarding Managed Care Organizations

This ForwardHealth Update contains fee-for-service policy and applies to services members receive on a fee-for-service basis only. For managed care policy, contact the appropriate managed care organization. Managed care organizations are required to provide at least the same benefits as those provided under fee-for-service arrangements.

The ForwardHealth Update is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Wisconsin Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus, SeniorCare, and Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program are administered by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability, Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS). The Wisconsin AIDS Drug Assistance Program and the Wisconsin Well Woman Program are administered by the Division of Public Health, Wisconsin DHS.

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