



ND

Medical Policies



Print

Policy Number: E-31

Policy Name: Negative Pressure Wound Therapy Pumps/Vacuum Assisted Closure of Chronic Wounds

Policy Type: Medical

Policy Subtype: Durable Medical Equipment (DME)

Effective Date: 09-15-2025

End Date: 11-02-2025

Description

The purpose of the Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT) device is to promote wound healing. Wound healing is defined as improvement occurring in either surface area or depth of the wound. Lack of improvement of a wound is defined as a lack of progress in quantitative measurements of wound characteristics including wound length and width (surface area), or depth measured serially and documented over a specified time interval.

Policy Application

All claims submitted under this policy's section will be processed according to the policy effective date and associated revision effective dates in effect on the date of processing, regardless of service date; **and/or**

All claims submitted under this policy's section will be processed according to the policy effective date and associated revision effective dates in effect on the date of service.

Criteria

Coverage is subject to the specific terms of the member's benefit plan.

Negative pressure wound therapy may be considered medically necessary when **ALL** of the following are met

- A complete wound therapy program involving **ALL** of the following has been tried or considered and ruled out prior to initiation of NPWT
 - Documentation of evaluation, care, and wound measurements by a licensed medical professional (i.e., physician, PA, CRNP, RN, LPN, RPT)

- Application of dressings to maintain a moist wound environment
- Debridement of necrotic tissue if present
- Evaluation of and provision for adequate nutritional status
- The indication is **ONE** or more of the following
 - The individual has been on an appropriate turn and position schedule
 - The individual's moisture and incontinence have been appropriately managed
 - A pressure reducing support surface has been used
 - The individual has been on a comprehensive diabetic management program
 - The individual has received reduction in pressure with appropriate modalities (i.e. saline wet-to-dry dressings, debridement, etc.)
 - The individual has received or participated in appropriate foot care (i.e., visual inspection, appropriate footwear, etc.)
 - Compression bandages and/or garments have been consistently applied
 - Leg elevation and ambulation have been encouraged
 - The wound requires accelerated formation of granulation tissue that cannot be achieved by other available topical wound treatments (e.g., comorbidities that prevent healing)
 - The wound requires accelerated formation of granulation tissue that cannot be achieved by other available topical wound treatments (e.g., comorbidities that prevent healing)
 - Continuation of treatment is ordered beyond discharge to the home setting
 - Appropriate wound treatments have been tried or considered and ruled out, and NPWT is initiated because it is considered, in the judgment of the treating physician, the best available treatment option
 - Complications of a surgically created wound (e.g., dehiscence, post-sternotomy disunion with exposed sternal bone, etc.) or traumatic wound (e.g., preoperative flap or graft, exposed bones) have occurred, and there is documentation of the medical necessity for accelerated formation of granulation tissue which cannot be achieved by other available topical wound treatments (e.g., other conditions that will not allow for healing times achievable with other topical wound treatments)
 - Chronic stage III or IV pressure ulcer and **ALL** of the following are met
 - Neuropathic ulcer (e.g., diabetic ulcer) and **ALL** of the following are met
 - Venous or arterial insufficiency ulcer and **ALL** of the following are met
 - Surgically created wound or traumatic wound and **ALL** of the following are met
 - An ulcer or wound encountered in an inpatient setting and **ONE** or more of the following are met

Note: The NPWT pumps/VAC must be prescribed by a physician and be capable of accommodating more than one (1) wound dressing set for multiple wounds on an individual. Therefore, more than one (1) pump billed per individual for the same time period is considered not medically necessary.

Negative pressure wound therapy not meeting the criteria as indicated in this policy is considered not medically necessary.

Procedure Codes

| | | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 97605 | 97606 | A6550 | A7000 | E2402 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|

Supplies

Supplies for negative pressure wound therapy are limited to the following;

- Fifteen (15) dressing kits per month - Additional dressing kits per month must be supported by documentation that the wound size requires more than one dressing kit for each dressing change.
- Ten (10) canister sets per month - Additional canister sets per month must be supported by documentation that a large volume of drainage (greater than 90 ml of exudate per day) requires more than one canister set.

Negative pressure wound therapy supplies exceeding these limits are considered not medically necessary.

Procedure Codes

| | |
|-------|-------|
| A6550 | A7000 |
|-------|-------|

Negative Pressure Wound Therapy

Negative pressure wound therapy is considered not medically necessary when **ONE** or more of the following are met:

- Adequate wound healing has occurred to the degree that NPWT pumps/VAC may be discontinued, in the judgment of the treating physician;**or**
- Any measurable degree of wound healing has failed to occur over the prior month as documented in the individual's records; **or**
- Four (4) months (including the time NPWT was applied in an inpatient setting prior to discharge to the home) have elapsed using an NPWT pumps/VAC device in the treatment of any wound.

Coverage beyond four (4) months will be given individual consideration based upon additional documentation.

This additional documentation must address the initial condition of the wound including measurements, efforts to address all aspects of wound care, subsequent monthly wound measurements, and what changes in wound therapy are being applied to effect wound healing. This information must be updated with each subsequent request for additional months of use of NPWT pumps/VAC.

Procedure Codes

| | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 97605 | 97606 | A6550 | A7000 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|

Professional Statements and Societal Positions Guidelines

American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons

The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS) 2022 guidelines for prevention of surgical site infections after major extremity trauma included recommendations for NPWT. The recommendations from AAOS do not support the continued use of NPWT in individuals undergoing fracture fixation due to similar outcomes to standard wound care but with an increased healthcare burden. In individuals with high-risk surgical incisions, the AAOS recommends that limited evidence suggests NPWT may be an option; however, its use will be influenced by cost. Importantly, these guidelines do not specifically address use in the outpatient setting.

American Academy of Wound Care (AAWC)

Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Use of Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (2018): This guideline provides specific recommendations for the use of NPWT in various wound types, including diabetic foot ulcers, pressure ulcers, and surgical wounds.

American College of Physicians

The American College of Physicians (2015) published guidelines on the treatment of pressure ulcers. The guidelines stated there was low-quality evidence that the overall treatment effect of NPWT did not differ from the standard of care.

Diagnosis Codes

For Stage III and IV Pressure Ulcers

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| L89.013 | L89.014 | L89.023 | L89.024 | L89.113 | L89.114 | L89.123 |
| L89.124 | L89.133 | L89.134 | L89.143 | L89.144 | L89.153 | L89.154 |
| L89.213 | L89.214 | L89.223 | L89.224 | L89.313 | L89.314 | L89.323 |
| L89.324 | L89.43 | L89.44 | L89.513 | L89.514 | L89.523 | L89.524 |
| L89.613 | L89.614 | L89.623 | L89.624 | L89.813 | L89.814 | L89.893 |
| L89.894 | | | | | | |

For diabetic ulcer of lower extremity, other than pressure ulcer

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| E08.621 | E08.622 | E09.621 | E09.622 | E10.621 | E10.622 | E11.621 |
| E11.622 | E13.621 | E13.622 | | | | |

and ONE of the following:

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| I70.231 | I70.232 | I70.233 | I70.234 | I70.235 | I70.238 | I70.239 |
| I70.241 | I70.242 | I70.243 | I70.244 | I70.245 | I70.248 | I70.249 |
| I70.331 | I70.332 | I70.333 | I70.334 | I70.335 | I70.338 | I70.339 |
| I70.341 | I70.342 | I70.343 | I70.344 | I70.345 | I70.348 | I70.431 |
| I70.432 | I70.433 | I70.434 | I70.435 | I70.438 | I70.441 | I70.442 |
| I70.443 | I70.444 | I70.445 | I70.448 | I70.449 | I70.531 | I70.532 |

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| I70.533 | I70.534 | I70.535 | I70.538 | I70.539 | I70.541 | I70.542 |
| I70.543 | I70.544 | I70.545 | I70.548 | I70.549 | I70.631 | I70.632 |
| I70.633 | I70.634 | I70.635 | I70.638 | I70.639 | I70.641 | I70.642 |
| I70.643 | I70.644 | I70.645 | I70.648 | I70.649 | I70.731 | I70.732 |
| I70.733 | I70.734 | I70.735 | I70.738 | I70.739 | I70.741 | I70.742 |
| I70.743 | I70.744 | I70.745 | I70.748 | I70.749 | L97.111 | L97.112 |
| L97.113 | L97.114 | L97.115 | L97.116 | L97.118 | L97.119 | L97.121 |
| L97.122 | L97.123 | L97.124 | L97.125 | L97.126 | L97.128 | L97.129 |
| L97.211 | L97.212 | L97.213 | L97.214 | L97.215 | L97.216 | L97.218 |
| L97.219 | L97.221 | L97.222 | L97.223 | L97.224 | L97.225 | L97.226 |
| L97.228 | L97.229 | L97.311 | L97.312 | L97.313 | L97.314 | L97.315 |
| L97.316 | L97.318 | L97.319 | L97.321 | L97.322 | L97.323 | L97.324 |
| L97.325 | L97.326 | L97.328 | L97.329 | L97.411 | L97.412 | L97.413 |
| L97.414 | L97.415 | L97.416 | L97.418 | L97.419 | L97.421 | L97.422 |
| L97.423 | L97.424 | L97.425 | L97.426 | L97.428 | L97.429 | L97.511 |
| L97.512 | L97.513 | L97.514 | L97.515 | L97.516 | L97.518 | L97.519 |
| L97.521 | L97.522 | L97.523 | L97.524 | L97.525 | L97.526 | L97.528 |
| L97.529 | L97.811 | L97.812 | L97.813 | L97.814 | L97.815 | L97.816 |
| L97.818 | L97.819 | L97.821 | L97.822 | L97.823 | L97.824 | L97.825 |
| L97.826 | L97.828 | L97.829 | L97.913 | L97.914 | L97.915 | L97.916 |
| L97.918 | L97.923 | L97.924 | L97.925 | L97.926 | L97.928 | |

For venous ulcer of lower extremity, other than pressure ulcer

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| I83.011 | I83.012 | I83.013 | I83.014 | I83.015 | I83.018 | I83.019 |
| I83.021 | I83.022 | I83.023 | I83.024 | I83.025 | I83.028 | I83.029 |

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| I83.211 | I83.212 | I83.213 | I83.214 | I83.215 | I83.218 | I83.219 |
| I83.221 | I83.222 | I83.223 | I83.224 | I83.225 | I83.228 | I83.229 |

For arterial insufficiency with ulcer

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| I70.231 | I70.232 | I70.233 | I70.234 | I70.235 | I70.238 | I70.239 |
| I70.241 | I70.242 | I70.243 | I70.244 | I70.245 | I70.248 | I70.249 |
| I70.25 | | | | | | |

OR

| | | | | | | |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| I87.2 | I87.311 | I87.312 | I87.313 | I87.331 | I87.332 | I87.333 |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|

AND one of the following

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| I70.231 | I70.232 | I70.233 | I70.234 | I70.235 | I70.238 | I70.241 |
| I70.242 | I70.243 | I70.244 | I70.245 | I70.248 | I70.331 | I70.332 |
| I70.333 | I70.334 | I70.335 | I70.338 | I70.341 | I70.342 | I70.343 |
| I70.344 | I70.345 | I70.348 | I70.431 | I70.432 | I70.433 | I70.434 |
| I70.435 | I70.438 | I70.441 | I70.442 | I70.443 | I70.444 | I70.445 |
| I70.448 | I70.531 | I70.532 | I70.533 | I70.534 | I70.535 | I70.538 |
| I70.541 | I70.542 | I70.543 | I70.544 | I70.545 | I70.548 | I70.55 |
| I70.631 | I70.632 | I70.633 | I70.634 | I70.635 | I70.638 | I70.641 |
| I70.642 | I70.643 | I70.644 | I70.645 | I70.648 | I70.731 | I70.732 |
| I70.733 | I70.734 | I70.735 | I70.738 | I70.741 | I70.742 | I70.743 |
| I70.744 | I70.745 | I70.748 | L97.111 | L97.112 | L97.113 | L97.114 |
| L97.115 | L97.116 | L97.118 | L97.119 | L97.121 | L97.122 | L97.123 |
| L97.124 | L97.125 | L97.126 | L97.128 | L97.129 | L97.211 | L97.212 |
| L97.213 | L97.214 | L97.215 | L97.216 | L97.218 | L97.219 | L97.221 |
| L97.222 | L97.223 | L97.224 | L97.225 | L97.226 | L97.228 | L97.229 |

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| L97.311 | L97.312 | L97.313 | L97.314 | L97.315 | L97.316 | L97.318 |
| L97.319 | L97.321 | L97.322 | L97.323 | L97.324 | L97.325 | L97.326 |
| L97.328 | L97.329 | L97.411 | L97.412 | L97.413 | L97.414 | L97.415 |
| L97.416 | L97.418 | L97.419 | L97.421 | L97.422 | L97.423 | L97.424 |
| L97.425 | L97.426 | L97.428 | L97.429 | L97.511 | L97.512 | L97.513 |
| L97.514 | L97.515 | L97.516 | L97.518 | L97.519 | L97.521 | L97.522 |
| L97.523 | L97.524 | L97.525 | L97.526 | L97.528 | L97.529 | L97.811 |
| L97.812 | L97.813 | L97.814 | L97.815 | L97.816 | L97.818 | L97.819 |
| L97.821 | L97.822 | L97.823 | L97.824 | L97.825 | L97.826 | L97.828 |
| L97.829 | L97.911 | L97.912 | L97.913 | L97.914 | L97.915 | L97.916 |
| L97.918 | L97.919 | L97.921 | L97.922 | L97.923 | L97.924 | L97.925 |
| L97.926 | L97.928 | L97.929 | | | | |

Complications of a surgically created wound

| | | | | | | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| K68.11 | T81.31XA | T81.31XD | T81.31XS | T81.32D | T81.329A | T81.329D |
| T81.329S | T81.32XS | T81.42XA | T81.42XD | T81.42XS | T81.43XA | T81.43XD |
| T81.43XS | T81.44XA | T81.44XD | T81.44XS | T81.49XA | T81.49XD | T81.49XS |
| T81.4XXA | T81.89XA | T81.89XD | T81.89XS | T87.43 | T87.44 | T87.81 |

Open wound of upper or lower limb, Complicated

| | | | | | | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| S41.001A | S41.001D | S41.001S | S41.002A | S41.002D | S41.002S | S41.021A |
| S41.021D | S41.021S | S41.022A | S41.022D | S41.022S | S41.041A | S41.041D |
| S41.041S | S41.042A | S41.042D | S41.042S | S41.101A | S41.101D | S41.101S |
| S41.102A | S41.102D | S41.102S | S41.121A | S41.121D | S41.121S | S41.122A |
| S41.122D | S41.122S | S41.141A | S41.141D | S41.141S | S41.142A | S41.142D |
| S41.142S | S51.001A | S51.001D | S51.001S | S51.002A | S51.002D | S51.002S |

| | | | | | | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| S51.021A | S51.021D | S51.021S | S51.022A | S51.022D | S51.022S | S51.041A |
| S51.041D | S51.041S | S51.042A | S51.042D | S51.042S | S51.801A | S51.801D |
| S51.801S | S51.802A | S51.802D | S51.802S | S51.821A | S51.821D | S51.821S |
| S51.822A | S51.822D | S51.822S | S51.841A | S51.841D | S51.841S | S51.842A |
| S51.842D | S51.842S | S61.501A | S61.501D | S61.502A | S61.502D | S61.502S |
| S61.521A | S61.521D | S61.521S | S61.522A | S61.522D | S61.522S | S61.541A |
| S61.541D | S61.541S | S61.542A | S61.542D | S61.542S | S71.021A | S71.021D |
| S71.021S | S71.022A | S71.022D | S71.022S | S71.041A | S71.041D | S71.041S |
| S71.042A | S71.042D | S71.042S | S71.101A | S71.101D | S71.101S | S71.102A |
| S71.102D | S71.102S | S71.121A | S71.121D | S71.121S | S71.122A | S71.122D |
| S71.122S | S71.141A | S71.141D | S71.141S | S71.142A | S71.142D | S71.142S |
| S81.001A | S81.001D | S81.001S | S81.021A | S81.021D | S81.021S | S81.022A |
| S81.022D | S81.022S | S81.041A | S81.042A | S81.801A | S81.801D | S81.801S |
| S81.821A | S81.821D | S81.821S | S81.822A | S81.822D | S81.822S | S81.841A |
| S81.841D | S81.841S | S81.842A | S81.842D | S81.842S | S91.021A | S91.021D |
| S91.021S | S91.022A | S91.022D | S91.022S | S91.041A | S91.041D | S91.041S |
| S91.042A | S91.042D | S91.042S | S91.102A | S91.102D | S91.102S | S91.301A |
| S91.301D | S91.301S | S91.321A | S91.321D | S91.321S | S91.322A | S91.322D |
| S91.341A | S91.342A | | | | | |

CURRENT CODING

CPT:

| | | |
|-------|--|------------|
| 97605 | NEGATIVE PRESSURE WOUND THERAPY DME <= 50 SQ CM | Commercial |
|-------|--|------------|

| | | |
|-------|--|--------------------|
| 97606 | NEGATIVE PRESSURE WOUND THERAPY DME >50 SQ CM | Commercial |
| 97605 | NEGATIVE PRESSURE WOUND THERAPY DME <= 50 SQ CM | Medicaid Expansion |
| 97606 | NEGATIVE PRESSURE WOUND THERAPY DME >50 SQ CM | Medicaid Expansion |

HCPCS:

| | | |
|-------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| A6550 | Neg pres wound ther drsg set | Commercial |
| A7000 | Disposable canister for pump | Commercial |
| E2402 | Neg press wound therapy pump | Commercial |
| A6550 | Neg pres wound ther drsg set | Medicaid Expansion |
| A7000 | Disposable canister for pump | Medicaid Expansion |
| E2402 | Neg press wound therapy pump | Medicaid Expansion |

References

1. Hayes, Inc. Hayes Evidence Analysis Research Brief. *PICO Single Use Negative Pressure Wound therapy System (Smith & Nephew) for Clean Surgical Incisions*. Landsdale, PA: Hayes May 5, 2020.
2. Hu X, Ni Y, Lian W, Kang, L, Jiang J, Li M. Combination of negative pressure wound therapy using vacuum assisted closure and ozone water flushing for treatment of diabetic foot ulcers. *Int J Diabetes in Dev Coun*. 2020; 40(2): 290- 295.
3. Poteet SJ, Schulz SA, Povoski SP, Chao AH. Negative pressure wound therapy: Device design, indications, and the evidence supporting its use. *Expert Rev Med Devices*. 2021;18(2):151-160. doi:10.1080/17434440.2021.1882301
4. Cheng Y, Wang K, Gong J, et al. Negative pressure wound therapy for managing the open abdomen in non-trauma patients. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev*. 2022;5(5):CD013710. doi:10.1002/14651858.CD013710.pub2
5. Shi J, Gao Y, Tian J, et al. Negative pressure wound therapy for treating pressure ulcers. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev*. 2023;5(5):CD011334. doi:10.1002/14651858.CD011334.pub3
6. Almansa-Saura S, Lopez-Lopez V, Eshmuminov D, et al. Prophylactic use of negative pressure therapy in general abdominal surgery: A systematic review and meta-analysis. *Surg Infect (Larchmt)*. 2021;22(8):854-863. doi:10.1089/sur.2020.407
7. Norman G, Shi C, Goh EL, et al. Negative pressure wound therapy for surgical wounds healing by primary closure. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev*. 2022;4(4):CD009261. doi:10.1002/14651858.CD009261.pub7
8. Ailaney N, Johns WL, Golladay GJ, Strong B, Kalore NV. Closed incision negative pressure wound therapy for elective hip and knee arthroplasty: A systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials. *J Arthroplasty*. 2021;36(7):2402-2411.doi:10.1016/j.arth.2020.11.039
9. Cooper HJ, Santos WM, Neuwirth AL, et al. Randomized controlled trial of incisional negative pressure following high-risk direct anterior total hip arthroplasty. *J Arthroplasty*. 2022;37(8S):S931-S936. doi:10.1016/j.arth.2022.03.039
10. Phillips MR, English SL, Reichard K, Vinocur C, Berman L. The safety and efficacy of using negative pressure incisional wound VACs in pediatric and neonatal patients. *J Pediatr Surg*. 2020;55(8):1470-1474.

doi:10.1016/j.jpedsurg.2019.10.011

ND Committee Review

Internal Medical Policy Committee 11-19-2020

- **Changed** statement, and
- **Removed** procedure codes 97607; 97608; K0743; K0744; K0745; and K0746

Internal Medical Policy Committee 5-20-2021 Revision-

- **Changed** wording regarding dressing kits

Internal Medical Policy Committee 5-24-2022 Annual Review - no changes in criteria

Internal Medical Policy Committee 5-23-2023 Annual Review - no changes in criteria

Internal Medical Policy Committee 5-14-2024 Annual Review Coding - **Effective July 1, 2024**

- **Added** Policy Application
- **Added** Diagnosis Code to the 'AND one of the following' section: L97.919
- **Added** Diagnosis Codes to the 'Complications of a surgically created wound' section: T81.31XS; T81.32XS; T81.42XA; T81.42XD; T81.42XS; T81.43XA; T81.43XD; T81.43XS; T81.44XA; T81.44XD; T81.44XS; T81.49XA; T81.49XD; T81.49XS; T81.89XS; T87.43; T87.44; and T87.81
- **Added** Diagnosis Codes to the 'Open wound of upper or lower limb, complicated' section: S41.001D; S41.001S; S41.002D; S41.002S; S41.021D; S41.021S; S41.022D; S41.022S; S41.041D; S41.041S; S41.042D; S41.042S; S41.049D; S41.049S; S41.101D; S41.101S; S41.102D; S41.102S; S41.121D; S41.121S; S41.122D; S41.122S; S41.141D; S41.141S; S41.142D; S41.142S; S51.001D; S51.001S; S51.002D; S51.002S; S51.021D; S51.021S; S51.022D; S51.022S; S51.041D; S51.041S; S51.042D; S51.042S; S51.801D; S51.801S; S51.802D; S51.802S; S51.821D; S51.821S; S51.822D; S51.822S; S51.841D; S51.841S; S51.842D; S51.842S; S61.501D; S61.501D; S61.502D; S61.502S; S61.521D; S61.521S; S61.522D; S61.522S; S61.541D; S61.541S; S61.542D; S61.542S; S71.021D; S71.021S; S71.022D; S71.022S; S71.041D; S71.041S; S71.042D; S71.042S; S71.101A; S71.101D; S71.101S; S71.102A; S71.102D; S71.102S; S71.121D; S71.121S; S71.122D; S71.122S; S71.141D; S71.141S; S71.142D; S71.142S; S81.021D; S81.021S; S81.022D; S81.022S; S81.001A; S81.001D; S81.001S; S81.801A; S81.801D; S81.801S; S81.821D; S81.821S; S81.822D; S81.822S; S81.841D; S81.841S; S81.842D; S81.842S; S91.021D; S91.021S; S91.022D; S91.022S; S91.041D; S91.041S; S91.042D; S91.042S; S91.102A; S91.102D; S91.102S; S91.301A; S91.301D; S91.301S; S91.321D; S91.321S; S91.322D; S91.322S; S91.341D; S91.341S; S91.342D; and S91.342S; and
- **Removed** Diagnosis Codes from the 'For Stage III and IV Pressure Ulcers' section: L89.003; L89.004; L89.103; L89.104; L89.203; L89.204; L89.303; L89.304; L89.503; L89.504; L89.603; L89.604; L89.93; L89.94; and
- **Removed** Diagnosis Codes from 'AND one of the following' section: I70.239; I70.249; I70.339; I70.349; I70.439; I70.449; I70.539; I70.549; I70.639; I70.649; I70.739; I70.749; L97.101; L97.102; L97.103; L97.104; L97.105; L97.106; L97.108; L97.109; L97.201; L97.202; L97.203; L97.204; L97.205; L97.206; L97.208; L97.209; L97.301; L97.302; L97.303; L97.304; L97.305; L97.306; L97.308; L97.309; L97.401; L97.402; L97.403; L97.404; L97.405; L97.406; L97.408; L97.409; L97.501; L97.502; L97.503; L97.504; L97.505; L97.506; L97.508; L97.509; L97.801; L97.802; L97.803; L97.804; L97.805; L97.806; L97.808; L97.809; L97.901; L97.902; L97.903; L97.904; L97.905; L97.906; and L97.908; and
- **Removed** Diagnosis Codes from 'For venous ulcer of lower extremity other than pressure ulcer' section: I83.001; I83.002; I83.003; I83.004; I83.005; I83.008; I83.009; I83.201; I83.202; I83.203; I83.204; I83.205; I83.208; and I83.209; and
- **Removed** Diagnosis Code from the 'Complications of a Surgically created wound' section: T81.4XXA; and

- **Removed** Diagnosis Codes from 'Open wound of upper or lower limb, complicated' section: S41.009A; S41.029A; S41.129A; S41.149A; S51.009A; S51.029A; S51.049A; S41.109A; S51.809A; S51.829A; S51.849A; S61.509A; S61.529A; S61.549A; S71.029A; S71.049A; S71.129A; S71.149A; S81.029A; S81.049A; S81.829A; S81.849A, S91.029A; S91.049A; S91.329A; and S91.349A

Internal Medical Policy Committee 9-17-2024

- Coding update- **Effective October 01, 2024**
 - **Added** diagnosis codes T81.329A; T81.329D; and T81.329S; and
 - **Removed** diagnosis codes T81.32XA; and T81.32XD; and
- Revision - **Effective November 04, 2024**
 - **Removed** diagnosis codes I70.239; I70.249; I70.339; I70.439; I70.449; I70.539; I70.549; I70.639; I70.649; I70.749; L97.101; L97.102; L97.103; L97.104; L97.105; L97.106; L97.108; L97.109; L97.201; L97.202; L97.203; L97.204; L97.205; L97.206; L97.208; L97.209; L97.301; L97.302; L97.303; L97.304; L97.305; L97.306; L97.308; L97.309; L97.401; L97.402; L97.403; L97.404; L97.405; L97.406; L97.408; L97.409; L97.501; L97.502; L97.503; L97.504; L97.505; L97.506; L97.508; L97.509; L97.801; L97.802; L97.803; L97.804; L97.805; L97.806; L97.808; L97.809; L97.901; L97.902; L97.903; L97.904; L97.905; L97.906; L97.908; L97.909; L97.919 & L97.929; and
 - **Removed** duplicate codes S61.501D; S91.102S; S91.301A; S91.301D; S91.301S; & S91.322D; and
 - **Removed** procedure code E2402.

Disclaimer

Current medical policy is to be used in determining a Member's contract benefits on the date that services are rendered. Contract language, including definitions and specific inclusions/exclusions, as well as state and federal law, must be considered in determining eligibility for coverage. Members must consult their applicable benefit plans or contact a Member Services representative for specific coverage information. Likewise, medical policy, which addresses the issue(s) in any specific case, should be considered before utilizing medical opinion in adjudication. Medical technology is constantly evolving, and the Company reserves the right to review and update medical policy periodically.