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Reconstructive Breast Surgery

Reconstructive breast surgery is considered a MO HealthNet covered service if necessary to restore symmetry as recommended by the oncologist or primary care physician for the patient incident to mastectomy, as well as other documented medical necessity deemed appropriate via MO HealthNet physician consultant review.

Reconstructive breast surgery is not a covered service when performed for solely cosmetic purposes.

The Prior Authorization Request form, available online at [http://manuals.momed.com/forms/Prior_Authorization_Request_IPA_Request\].pdf](http://manuals.momed.com/forms/Prior_Authorization_Request_IPA_Request].pdf), must be submitted and approved prior to rendering this service.

Circumcision

Effective June 15, 2014, MO HealthNet will pay for elective circumcisions for all newborn infants less than 28 days old using Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes 54150 and 54160.

MHD payment for circumcisions for participants other than infants, has been limited to those in which two physicians documented in writing that a disease, pathology or other abnormality exists that requires a medically therapeutic circumcision. Previous policy requiring documentation from two physicians has been rescinded, effective immediately.

While CPT procedure codes 54161, 54162, 54163, and 54164 continue to require Prior Authorization, documentation is only required from a single physician that a disease, pathology or other abnormality exists that requires a medically therapeutic circumcision, and *must* be attached to the Prior Authorization Request.

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MO HealthNet News: Providers and other interested parties are urged to go to the MHD Web site at <http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/global/pages/mednewssubscribe.htm> to subscribe to the electronic mailing list to receive automatic notifications of provider bulletins, provider manual updates, and other official MO HealthNet communications via E-mail.

MO HealthNet Managed Care: The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- Services not included in MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the MO HealthNet card or by calling the Provider Communications Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-751-2896 and using Option One for the red or white card.

**Provider Communications Hotline
573-751-2896**