

# **Medical/Surgical Supplies**

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#### **Disclaimer:**

- 1. Policies are subject to change in accordance with State and Federal notice requirements.
- 2. Policies outline coverage determinations for U of U Health Plans Commercial, CHIP and Healthy U (Medicaid) plans. Refer to the "Policy" section for more information.
- 3. Services requiring prior-authorization may not be covered, if prior-authorization is not obtained.
- 4. This Medical Policy does not guarantee coverage or payment of the service. The service must be a benefit in the member's plan and the member must be eligible for coverage at the time of service. Additional payment guidelines may be applied that are not included in this policy.
- 5. Provisions and terms of the provider contract may supersede this policy.

## **Description:**

Medical-surgical supplies encompass a wide range of items used in healthcare settings, from basic necessities like bandages and gloves to more specialized equipment like surgical instruments and anesthesia machines. These supplies are crucial for diagnosing, treating, and managing various medical conditions, and they can be broadly categorized as either durable or consumable, depending on their lifespan and usage.

Routine supplies and equipment are those items routinely used by patients within a level of care setting, or in the delivery of medical-surgical services, and include all related equipment necessary for that particular acuity level. These supplies and equipment are typically located in the patient care area or are available in a central supply area. Payment for routine supplies and equipment is integral to and included in U of U Health Plans' payment for room and board or the separately chargeable service.

## **Policy Statement and Criteria**

### 1. Commercial Plans/CHIP

U of U Health Plans does NOT separately reimburse medical-surgical supplies routinely used by patients within a level of care setting, or in the delivery of medical-surgical services, including all related equipment necessary for that particular acuity level. U of U Health Plans considers certain services and supplies to be ineligible for separate reimbursement when reported by a facility, unless provider, state, federal contract and/or requirements indicate otherwise. The Applicable Coding section lists and describes the Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) codes that are considered not eligible for reimbursement when they are reported as a stand-alone service, or with another service. No modifiers will override the supplies listed in the applicable coding section of this policy.

### 2. Medicaid Plans

Coverage is determined by the State of Utah Medicaid program; if Utah State Medicaid has no published coverage position and InterQual criteria are not available, the U of U Health Plans Commercial criteria will apply. For the most up-to-date Medicaid policies and coverage, please visit their website at: <u>https://medicaid.utah.gov/utah-medicaid-official-publications/</u> or the <u>Utah Medicaid code Look-Up tool</u>

CPT/HCPCS codes covered by Utah State Medicaid may still require further evaluation to determine medical necessity for coverage.

### **Applicable Coding**

<u>CPT Codes</u> No Applicable Codes

#### **HCPCS Codes**

#### Non-Covered Codes

A4206-A4262 Medical and Surgical Supplies

A4265-A9300 Medical and Surgical Supplies

A9900	Miscellaneous DME supply, accessory, and/or service component of another HCPCS code
A9901	DME delivery, set up, and/or dispensing service component of another HCPCS code
A9999	Miscellaneous DME supply or accessory, not otherwise specified
E0235	Paraffin bath unit, portable
T4521	Adult sized disposable incontinence product, brief/diaper, small, each
T4522	Adult sized disposable incontinence product, brief/diaper, medium, each
T4523	Adult sized disposable incontinence product, brief/diaper, large, each
T4524	Adult sized disposable incontinence product, brief/diaper, extra-large, each
T4525	Adult sized disposable incontinence product, protective underwear/pull-on, small size, each

T4526	Adult sized disposable incontinence product, protective underwear/pull-on, medium size, each
T4527	Adult sized disposable incontinence product, protective underwear/pull-on, large size, each
T4528	Adult sized disposable incontinence product, protective underwear/pull-on, extra-large size, each
T4529	Pediatric sized disposable incontinence product, brief/diaper, small/medium size, each
T4530	Pediatric sized disposable incontinence product, brief/diaper, large size, each
T4531	Pediatric sized disposable incontinence product, protective underwear/pull-on, small/medium size, each
T4532	Pediatric sized disposable incontinence product, protective underwear/pull-on, large size, each
T4533	Youth sized disposable incontinence product, brief/diaper, each
T4534	Youth sized disposable incontinence product, protective underwear/pull-on, each
T4535	Disposable liner/shield/guard/pad/undergarment, for incontinence, each
T4536	Incontinence product, protective underwear/pull-on, reusable, any size, each
T4537	Incontinence product, protective underpad, reusable, bed size, each
T4538	Diaper service, reusable diaper, each diaper
T4539	Incontinence product, diaper/brief, reusable, any size, each
T4540	Incontinence product, protective underpad, reusable, chair size, each
T4541	Incontinence product, disposable underpad, large, each
T4542	Incontinence product, disposable underpad, small size, each
T4543	Adult sized disposable incontinence product, protective brief/diaper, above extra-large, each
T4544	Adult sized disposable incontinence product, protective underwear/pull-on, above extra-large, each
T4545	Incontinence product, disposable, penile wrap, each

#### **References**:

1. American Medical Association, Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®) and associated publications and services 2025

2. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, CMS Manual System and other CMS publications and services

3. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System, HCPCS Release and Code Sets

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explanation of benefits, or a contract. Members should consult with appropriate health care providers to obtain needed medical advice, care, and treatment. Benefits and eligibility are determined before medical guidelines and payment guidelines are applied. Benefits are determined by the member's individual benefit plan that is in effect at the time services are rendered.

The codes for treatments and procedures applicable to this policy are included for informational purposes. Inclusion or exclusion of a procedure, diagnosis or device code(s) does not constitute or imply member coverage or provider reimbursement. Provisions and terms of the provider contract may supersede this policy. Please refer to the member's contract benefits in effect at the time of service to determine coverage or non-coverage of these services as it applies to an individual member.

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