Children’s Hospital and Health System
Chorus Community Health Plans (CCHP)
Policy and Procedure

This policy applies to the following entity(s):

☐ CHW – Milwaukee
☐ CHHS Foundation
☐ CHW – Community Services Division
☐ Children’s Medical Group - Primary Care
☐ Children’s Medical Group - Urgent Care
☐ CHW - Fox Valley
☐ CHW - Surgicenter
☐ Chorus Community Health Plans
☐ Children’s Specialty Group
☐ CHHS Corporate Departments

Medical Utilization Management Policy

SUBJECT: CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORING DEVICES

INCLUDED PRODUCT(S):

Medicaid
☒ BadgerCare Plus

Individual and Family
☒ Commercial

☒ Care4Kids Program
☒ Commercial

Marketplace

PURPOSE OR DESCRIPTION:
The purpose of this policy is to define criteria for the medically necessary use of continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) devices.

POLICY:
Continuous glucose monitoring may be indicated for 1 or more of the following:

1. Type 1 or type 2 diabetes mellitus, and long-term continuous glucose monitoring needed, as indicated by ALL of the following:
   a. Intensive insulin regimen (3 or more insulin injections per day, or use of continuous subcutaneous insulin infusion pump)
   b. Patient (or parent/guardian/caregiver if patient is a minor) is motivated and knowledgeable about use of continuous glucose monitoring, is adherent to diabetic treatment plan, and participates in ongoing education and support

2. Type 1 or type 2 diabetes mellitus, and short-term continuous glucose monitoring needed, as indicated by ALL of the following:
a. Additional information about blood glucose needed, as indicated by 1 or more of the following:
   i. Dawn phenomenon, known or suspected
   ii. Hypoglycemic unawareness (i.e. member does not have symptoms with hypoglycemia)
   iii. Nocturnal hypoglycemia, known or suspected
   iv. Postprandial hyperglycemia, known or suspected
   v. Significant change to diabetes treatment regimen (i.e. initiation of insulin, change from multiple-dose insulin to insulin pump)
   vi. Unexplained hyperglycemia

b. Monitoring limited to 3-14 days

For all other uses, CCHP considers continuous glucose monitoring NOT medically necessary.

As the lifespan of a CGM receiver is expected to be at least three years, CCHP will replace a CGM receiver if three or more years have passed since the last receiver was dispensed.

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