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



Medical Utilization Management Policy

SUBJECT: CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORING DEVICES

INCLUDED PRODUCT(S):

Medicaid	Individual and Family
BadgerCare Plus	Commercial
🛛 Care4Kids Program	🛛 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. memberdoes 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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