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SCOPE: To ensure Group Health Cooperative of Eau Claire (the Cooperative) handles requests for authorization for anesthesia for dental procedures in a manner consistent with member’s policy specifications as well as state and federal regulations.

POLICY: It is the policy of the Cooperative to cover anesthesia for dental procedures or oral surgery performed in a hospital setting per Wis. Stat. ss. 609.79 and 632.895 (12).

PROCEDURE: Prior Authorization Required: No, for members 5 years old and younger. Yes, for members 6 years old and older.

Commercial or State of Wisconsin Members: Hospital or ambulatory surgery center charges incurred, and anesthetics provided in conjunction with dental care are covered if any of the following applies:

1. Children 5 years old and younger
2. The individual has a chronic disability
3. The individual has a medical condition that requires hospitalization or general anesthesia for dental care

Facility and anesthesia charges are covered. Dental charges have to be authorized with member’s dental carrier.


BadgerCare and SSI Medicaid: Hospital or ambulatory surgery center charges incurred and anesthetics provided in conjunction with dental care are covered if any of the following applies:

1. Children 5 years old and younger
2. The individual has a chronic disability
3. The individual has a medical condition that requires hospitalization or general anesthesia for dental care

Facility and anesthesia charges are covered. Dental charges have to be authorized with Forward Health.

Reference source, if applicable: N/A

APPROVED: Michelle Bauer M.D. DATE: 02/15/2024

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02/25/2013	Carol E. Ebel, RN HM Mgr	This is a continuation of the archived P & P.
02/15/2014	Lynne Komanec, RN HM Manager	Reviewed with no changes
01/23/2015	Betsy Kelly, RN	Removed Core and Benchmark references.
01/11/2016	Betsy Kelly, RN	Changed prior auth needed only for members 5 or over.
03/06/2017	Betsy Kelly, RN	Clarified age parameters.
04/10/2018	Michele Bauer, MD	No changes
05/24/2019	Michele Bauer, MD, CMO	Reviewed. No changes.
03/04/2021	Michele Bauer, MD, CMO	Reviewed. No changes.
02/15/2022	Michele Bauer, MD, CMO	Reviewed. No changes.
02/15/2023	Michele Bauer, MD, CMO	Reviewed. No changes.
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