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| | SUBJECT: | Abortion |
| | PRODUCT LINE: | All |
| | POLICY NUMBER: | 001 |
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POLICY: It is the policy of Group Health Cooperative of Eau Claire (the Cooperative) to handle requests for abortions in a manner consistent with state and federal regulations as well as member's policy specifics.

PROCEDURE: Prior Authorization: Yes

Abortion requests for Medicaid members must be accompanied by the ForwardHealth Abortion Certification statement (Form F-1161) completed and signed by the physician requesting authorization:

Link to Form F-1161: www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/library/F-01161.htm

Coverage criteria:

In accordance with Wis. Stat. § 20.927, abortions are covered when one of the following situations exists:

- 1. The abortion is directly and medically necessary to save the life of the woman, provided that prior to the abortion the physician attests, based on their best clinical judgment, that the abortion meets this condition by signing a certification.
- 2. In a case of sexual assault or incest, provided that prior to the abortion the physician attests that sexual assault or incest has occurred, to their belief, by signing a written certification; the crime must also be reported to the law enforcement authorities.
- 3. Due to a medical condition existing prior to the abortion, provided that prior to the abortion the physician attests, based on their best clinical judgment, that the abortion meets the following condition by signing a certification that the abortion is directly and medically necessary to prevent grave, long-lasting physical health damage to the woman.

| Associated codes: | 59841 | Induced abortion, by dilation and curettage Induced abortion, by dilation and evacuation Induced abortion, by one or more intra-amniotic injections; with delivery of fetus and secundines |
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| | 59851 | Induced abortion, by one or more intra-amniotic injections; with dilation and curettage and/or evacuation |
| | 59852 | Induced abortion, by one or more intra-amniotic injections; delivery of fetus and sucundines; with hysterotomy |
| | 59855 | Induced abortion, by one or more intra-amniotic injections; with delivery of fetus and secundines |
| | 59856 | Induced abortion, by one or more intra-amniotic injections; delivery of fetus and sucundines; with dilation and curettage and/or evacuation |
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| 02/15/2014 | Lynne Komanec, RN HM Manager | Reviewed with no changes |
| 01/15/2015 | Betsy Kelly, RN | Updated to remove Benchmark and Core Plan references, added coding and link to form F-1161. |
| 01/08/2016 | Betsy Kelly, RN | Reviewed with no changes. |
| 04/25/2017 | Michele Bauer, MD, CMO | Reviewed and reformatted. |
| 02/21/2019 | Michele Bauer, MD, CMO | Updated criteria |
| 04/24/2020 | Michele Bauer, MD, CMO | Reviewed and no updates |
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| 10/15/2022 | Michele Bauer, MD, CMO | Updated coverage criteria based on ForwardHealth update. |
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