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Procedure Codes 54150 and 54160 to Become a Benefit for Additional Provider Types Effective Aug. 1

Background:

Established Medicaid coverage for newborn circumcision (CPT 54150 and 54160) requires that the performing provider be a physician, whereas current research and clinical practice indicate this procedure can be performed by trained physician assistants (PA) and advanced practice registered nurses (APRN).

Key Details:

This update adds trained PAs and APRNs - nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, and certified nurse midwives – as payable provider types to the newborn circumcision benefit. Effective for dates of service on or after August 1, 2020, circumcisions for newborns (procedure codes 54150 and 54160) will be payable to physician assistants, nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, and certified nurse midwives for procedure codes 54150 and 54160 rendered in the office and outpatient hospital setting.

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