MedStar Health, Inc. POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

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PA.206.MH – Cosmetic and Reconstructive Services

This policy applies to the following lines of business:

✓ MedStar Employee (Select)

MedStar Health considers **Reconstructive Services** medically necessary for the following indications:

Medically appropriate reconstructive procedures are covered for either of the following:

- When the procedure is intended to primarily improve, restore, or maintain bodily function as a result of an infection or disease; OR
- 2. The procedure is intended to correct a congenital disease or anomaly that has resulted in a significant functional deformity.

Limitations

- 1. When a medical problem results from covered or non-covered cosmetic procedures, medically necessary services required to treat the medical problem are covered.
- 2. Common, anticipated side effects of cosmetic surgery (e.g., nausea and vomiting which result in a prolonged hospital stay) are considered part of the cosmetic surgery procedure and are **not** eligible for additional coverage.

Codes Requiring Prior Authorization

Code	Description		
11920	Tattooing, intradermal introduction of insoluble opaque pigments to correct color defects of skin, including micropigmentation; 6.0 sq cm or less		
11921	Tattooing, intradermal introduction of insoluble opaque pigments to correct color defects of skin, including micropigmentation; 6.1 to 20.0 sq cm		
11922	Tattooing, intradermal introduction of insoluble opaque pigments to correct color defects of skin, including micropigmentation; each additional 20.0 sq cm, or part thereof (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)		
11950	Subcutaneous injection of filling material (e.g. collagen):1cc or less		
11951	1.5 to 5 cc		
11952	5.1 to 10 cc		
11954	10 cc or more		
11960	Insertion of tissue expander(s) for other than breast, including subsequent expansion		
11970	Replacement of tissue expander with permanent prosthesis		



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	15876	Suction assisted lipectomy; head and neck		



15877	Suction assisted lipectomy; trunk			
15878	Suction assisted lipectomy; upper extremity			
15879	Suction assisted lipectomy; lower extremity			
17106	Destruction of cutaneous vascular proliferative lesions(e.g., laser technique);			
	less than 10 sq cm			
47407	Destruction of cutaneous vascular proliferative lesions (eg, laser technique); 10.0			
17107	to 50.0 sq cm			
17100	Destruction of cutaneous vascular proliferative lesions (eg, laser technique); over			
17108	50.0 sq cm			
17340	Cryotherapy (CO2 slush, liquid N2) for acne			
17360	Chemical exfoliation for acne (e.g., acne paste, acid)			
17380	Electrolysis epilation, each 30 minutes			
19300	Mastectomy for gynecomastia			
19316	Mastopexy			
19318	Reduction mammaplasty			
19324	Mammaplasty, augmentation; without prosthetic implant			
19325	Mammaplasty, augmentation; with prosthetic implant			
19328	Removal of intact mammary implant			
19330	Removal of mammary implant material			
19340	Immediate insertion of breast prosthesis following mastopexy, mastectomy or in			
19340	reconstruction			
19342	Delayed insertion of breast prosthesis following mastopexy, mastectomy or in			
	reconstruction			
19350	Nipple/areola reconstruction			
19355	Correction of inverted nipples			
19357	Breast reconstruction, immediate or delayed, with tissue expander, including			
19557	subsequent expansion			
19361	Breast reconstruction with latissimus dorsi flap, without prosthetic implant			
19364	Breast reconstruction with free flap			
19366	Breast reconstruction with other technique			
19367	Breast reconstruction with transverse rectus abdominis myocutaneous flap			
15507	(TRAM), single pedicle, including closure of donor site;			
	Breast reconstruction with transverse rectus abdominis myocutaneous flap			
19368	(TRAM), single pedicle, including closure of donor site; with microvascular			
	anastomosis (supercharging)			
19369	Breast reconstruction with transverse rectus abdominis myocutaneous flap			
19209	(TRAM), double pedicle, including closure of donor site			
19370	Open periprosthetic capsulotomy, breast			
19371	Periprosthetic capsulectomy, breast			
19380	Revision of reconstructed breast			
19396	Preparation of moulage for custom breast implant			



21077	Impression and custom preparation; orbital prosthesis		
21082	Impression and custom preparation; palatal augmentation prosthesis		
21083	Impression and custom preparation; palatal lift prosthesis		
21084	Impression and custom preparation; speech aid prosthesis		
21086	Impression and custom preparation; auricular prosthesis		
21087	Impression and custom preparation; nasal prosthesis		
21088	Impression and custom preparation; facial prosthesis		
21120	Genioplasty: augmentation (autograft, allograft, augmentation)		
21121	Genioplasty; sliding osteotomy, single piece		
21122	Genioplasty; sliding osteotomies, 2 or more osteotomies (eg, wedge excision or bone wedge reversal for asymmetrical chin)		
21123	Genioplasty; sliding, augmentation with interpositional bone grafts (includes obtaining autografts)		
21125	Augmentation, mandibular body or angle; prosthetic material		
21127	Augmentation, mandibular body or angle; with bone graft, onlay or interpositional (includes obtaining autograft)		
21137	Reduction forehead; contouring only		
21138	Reduction forehead; contouring and application of prosthetic material or bone graft (includes obtaining autograft)		
21139	Reduction forehead; contouring and setback of anterior frontal sinus wall		
21141	Reconstruction midface, LeFort I; single piece, segment movement in any direction (eg, for Long Face Syndrome), without bone graft		
21142	Reconstruction midface, LeFort I; 2 pieces, segment movement in any direction, without bone graft		
21143	Reconstruction midface, LeFort I; 3 or more pieces, segment movement in any direction, without bone graft		
21145	Reconstruction midface, LeFort I; single piece, segment movement in any direction, requiring bone grafts (includes obtaining autografts)		
21146	Reconstruction midface, LeFort I; 2 pieces, segment movement in any direction, requiring bone grafts (includes obtaining autografts) (eg, ungrafted unilateral alveolar cleft)		
21147	Reconstruction midface, LeFort I; 3 or more pieces, segment movement in any direction, requiring bone grafts (includes obtaining autografts) (eg, ungrafted bilateral alveolar cleft or multiple osteotomies)		
21150	Reconstruction midface, LeFort II; anterior intrusion (eg, Treacher-Collins Syndrome)		
21151	Reconstruction midface, LeFort II; any direction, requiring bone grafts (includes obtaining autografts)		
21154	Reconstruction midface, LeFort III (extracranial), any type, requiring bone grafts (includes obtaining autografts); without LeFort I		
21155	 Reconstruction midface, LeFort III (extracranial), any type, requiring bone graft (includes obtaining autografts); with LeFort I 		



	Reconstruction midface, LeFort III (extra and intracranial) with forehead		
21159	advancement (eg, mono bloc), requiring bone grafts (includes obtaining		
	autografts); without LeFort I		
21160	Reconstruction midface, LeFort III (extra and intracranial) with forehead		
	advancement (eg, mono bloc), requiring bone grafts (includes obtaining		
	autografts); with LeFort I		
21172	Reconstruction superior-lateral orbital rim and lower forehead, advancement or		
21172	alteration, with or without grafts (includes obtaining autografts)		
	Reconstruction, bifrontal, superior-lateral orbital rims and lower forehead,		
21175	advancement or alteration (eg, plagiocephaly, trigonocephaly, brachycephaly),		
	with or without grafts (includes obtaining autografts)		
21179	Reconstruction, entire or majority of forehead and/or supraorbital rims; with grafts		
21175	(allograft or prosthetic material)		
21180	Reconstruction, entire or majority of forehead and/or supraorbital rims; with		
21100	autograft (includes obtaining grafts)		
21181	Reconstruction by contouring of benign tumor of cranial bones (eg, fibrous		
21101	dysplasia), extracranial		
	Reconstruction of orbital walls, rims, forehead, nasoethmoid complex following		
21182	intra- and extracranial excision of benign tumor of cranial bone (eg, fibrous		
	dysplasia), with multiple autografts (includes obtaining grafts); total area of bone		
	grafting less than 40 sq cm		
	Reconstruction of orbital walls, rims, forehead, nasoethmoid complex following		
21183	intra- and extracranial excision of benign tumor of cranial bone (eg, fibrous		
	dysplasia), with multiple autografts (includes obtaining grafts); total area of bone		
	grafting greater than 40 sq cm but less than 80 sq cm		
	Reconstruction of orbital walls, rims, forehead, nasoethmoid complex following		
21184	intra- and extracranial excision of benign tumor of cranial bone (eg, fibrous		
	dysplasia), with multiple autografts (includes obtaining grafts); total area of bone		
	grafting greater than 80 sq cm Reconstruction midface, osteotomies (other than LeFort type) and bone grafts		
21188	(includes obtaining autografts)		
	Reconstruction of mandibular rami, horizontal, vertical, C, or L osteotomy; without		
21193	bone graft		
	Reconstruction of mandibular rami, horizontal, vertical, C, or L osteotomy; with		
21194	bone graft (includes obtaining graft)		
	Reconstruction of mandibular rami and/or body, sagittal split; without internal rigid		
21195	fixation		
	Reconstruction of mandibular rami and/or body, sagittal split; with internal rigid		
21196	fixation		
21198	Osteotomy, mandible, segmental;		
21199	Osteotomy, mandible, segmental; with genioglossus advancement		
21206	Osteotomy, maxilla, segmental (eg, Wassmund or Schuchard)		



04000	Osteoplasty, facial bones; augmentation (autograft, allograft, or prosthetic			
21208	implant)			
21209	Osteoplasty, facial bones; reduction			
21210	Graft, bone; nasal, maxillary or malar areas (includes obtaining graft)			
21215	Graft, bone; mandible (includes obtaining graft)			
21230	Graft: rib cartilage, autogenous, to face, chip, nose or ear (includes obtainin			
21235	Graft; ear cartilage, autogenous, to nose or ear (includes obtaining graft)			
	Reconstruction of mandible, extraoral, with transosteal bone plate (eg,			
21244	mandibular staple bone plate)			
21245	Reconstruction of mandible or maxilla, subperiosteal implant; partial			
21246	Reconstruction of mandible or maxilla, subperiosteal implant; complete			
	Reconstruction of mandible or maxilla, endosteal implant, editional (eg, blade, cylinder);			
21248	partial			
21249	Reconstruction of mandible or maxilla, endosteal implant (eg, blade, cylinder); complete			
21255	Reconstruction of zygomatic arch and glenoid fossa with bone and cartilage (includes obtaining autografts)			
	Reconstruction of orbit with osteotomies (extracranial) and with bone grafts			
21256	(includes obtaining autografts) (eg, micro-ophthalmia)			
	Periorbital osteotomies for orbital hypertelorism, with bone grafts; extracranial			
21260	approach			
04004	Periorbital osteotomies for orbital hypertelorism, with bone grafts; combined intra-			
21261	and extracranial approach			
21263	Periorbital osteotomies for orbital hypertelorism, with bone grafts; with forehead			
21205	advancement			
21267	Orbital repositioning, periorbital osteotomies, unilateral, with bone grafts; extracranial approach			
04000	Orbital repositioning, periorbital osteotomies, unilateral, with bone grafts;			
21268	combined intra- and extracranial approach			
21270	Malar augmentation, prosthetic material			
21275	Secondary revision of orbitocraniofacial reconstruction			
21280	Medial canthopexy (separate procedure)			
21282	Lateral canthopexy			
21205	Reduction of masseter muscle and bone (eg, for treatment of benign masseteric			
21295	hypertrophy); extraoral approach			
21296	Reduction of masseter muscle and bone (eg, for treatment of benign masseteric			
21290	hypertrophy); intraoral approach			
30400	Rhinoplasty; primary; lateral & alar cartilages and/or elevation of nasal tip			
20/10	Rhinoplasty; complete; external parts including bony pyramid; lateral & alar			
30410	cartilages &/or elevation of nasal tip.			
30420	Rhinoplasty, primary; including major septal repair			



30430	Rhinoplasty, secondary; minor revision (small amount of nasal tip work)		
30435	Rhinoplasty, secondary; intermediate revision (bony work with osteotomies)		
30450	Rhinoplasty, secondary, major revision		
30460	Rhinoplasty for nasal deformity secondary to congenital cleft lip and/or palate, including columellar lengthening; tip only		
30462	Rhinoplasty for nasal deformity secondary to congenital cleft lip and/or palate, including columellar lengthening; tip, septum, osteotomies		
30465	Repair of nasal vestibular stenosis (eg, spreader grafting, lateral nasal wall reconstruction)		
30520	Septoplasty or submucous resection, with or without cartilage scoring, contouring or replacement with graft		
30540	Repair choanal atresia; intranasal		
30545	Repair choanal atresia; transpalatine		
30560	Lysis intranasal synechia		
30620	Septal or other intranasal dermatoplasty (does not include obtaining graft)		
36468	Single or multiple injections of sclerosing solutions, spider veins (telangiectasia), limb or trunk		
36469	Single or multiple injections of sclerosing solutions, spider veins (telangiectasia); face		
36470	Injection of sclerosing solution; single vein		
36471	Injection of sclerosing solution; multiple veins, same leg		
36473	Endovenous ablation therapy of incompetent vein, extremity, inclusive of all imaging guidance and monitoring, percutaneous, mechanochemical; first vein treated		
36474	Endovenous ablation therapy of incompetent vein, extremity, inclusive of all imaging guidance and monitoring, percutaneous, mechanochemical; subsequent vein(s) treated in a single extremity, each through separate access sites (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)		
36475	Endovenous ablation therapy of incompetent vein, extremity, inclusive of all imaging guidance and monitoring, percutaneous, radiofrequency; first vein treated		
36476	Endovenous ablation therapy of incompetent vein, extremity, inclusive of all imaging guidance and monitoring, percutaneous, radiofrequency; subsequent vein(s) treated in a single extremity, each through separate access sites (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)		
36478	Endovenous ablation therapy of incompetent vein, extremity, inclusive of all imaging guidance and monitoring, percutaneous, laser; first vein treated		
36479	Endovenous ablation therapy of incompetent vein, extremity, inclusive of all imaging guidance and monitoring, percutaneous, laser; subsequent vein(s) treated in a single extremity, each through separate access sites (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)		



37700	Ligation and division of long saphenous vein at saphenofemoral junction, or			
	distal interruptions			
37718	Ligation, division, and stripping, short saphenous vein			
37722	Ligation, division, and stripping, long (greater) saphenous veins from saphenofemoral junction to knee or below			
	Ligation and division and complete stripping of long or short saphenous veins			
37735	with radical excision of ulcer and skin graft and/or interruption of communicating			
	veins of lower leg, with excision of deep fascia			
37760	Ligation of perforator veins, subfascial, radical (Linton type), including skin graft,			
57700	when performed, open,1 leg			
37761	Ligation of perforator vein(s), subfascial, open, including ultrasound guidance,			
	when performed, 1 leg			
37765	Stab phlebectomy of varicose veins, 1 extremity; 10-20 stab incisions			
37766	Stab phlebectomy of varicose veins, 1 extremity; more than 20 incisions			
37780	Ligation and division of short saphenous vein at saphenopopliteal junction (separate procedure)			
37785	Ligation, division, and/or excision of varicose vein cluster(s), 1 leg			
56800	Plastic repair of introitus			
67900	Repair of brow ptosis (supraciliary, mid-forehead or coronal approach)			
67901	Repair of blepharoptosis; frontalis muscle technique with suture or other material (eg, banked fascia)			
67902	Repair of blepharoptosis; frontalis muscle technique with autologous fascial sling (includes obtaining fascia)			
67903	Repair of blepharoptosis; (tarso) levator resection or advancement, internal approach			
	Repair of blepharoptosis; (tarso) levator resection or advancement, external			
67904	approach			
67906	Repair of blepharoptosis; superior rectus technique with fascial sling (includes			
07900	obtaining fascia)			
67908	Repair of blepharoptosis; conjunctivo-tarso-Muller's muscle-levator resection			
	(eg, Fasanella-Servat type)			
67909	Reduction of overcorrection of ptosis			
67911	Correction of lid retraction			
67912	Correction of lagophthalmos, with implantation of upper eyelid lid load (eg, gold weight)			
67914	Repair of ectropion; suture			
67915	Repair of ectropion; thermocauterization			
67916	Repair of ectropion; excision tarsal wedge			
67917	Repair of ectropion; extensive (eg, tarsal strip operations)			
67921	Repair of entropion; suture			
67922	Repair of entropion: thermocauterization			



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67923	Repair of entropion; excision tarsal wedge		
67924	Repair of entropion; extensive (eg, tarsal strip or capsulopalpebral fascia repairs		
07924	operation)		
67961	Excision and repair of eyelid, involving lid margin, tarsus, conjunctiva, canthus,		
	or full thickness, may include preparation for skin graft or pedicle flap with		
	adjacent tissue transfer or rearrangement; up to one-fourth of lid margin		
	Excision and repair of eyelid, involving lid margin, tarsus, conjunctiva, canthus,		
67966	or full thickness, may include preparation for skin graft or pedicle flap with		
	adjacent tissue transfer or rearrangement; over one-fourth of lid margin		
67971	Reconstruction of eyelid, full thickness by transfer of tarsoconjunctival flap from		
0/9/1	opposing eyelid; up to two-thirds of eyelid, 1 stage or first stage		
67973	Reconstruction of eyelid, full thickness by transfer of tarsoconjunctival flap from		
01913	opposing eyelid; total eyelid, lower, 1 stage or first stage		
67974	Reconstruction of eyelid, full thickness by transfer of tarsoconjunctival flap from		
0/9/4	opposing eyelid; total eyelid, upper, 1 stage or first stage		
67975	Reconstruction of eyelid, full thickness by transfer of tarsoconjunctival flap from		
01913	opposing eyelid; second stage		
68360	Conjunctival flap; bridge or partial (separate procedure)		
68362	Conjunctival flap; total (such as Gunderson thin flap or purse string flap)		
68371	Harvesting conjunctival allograft, living donor		
69090	Ear piercing		
69300	Otoplasty, protruding ear, with or without size reduction		
69310	Reconstruction of external auditory canal (meatoplasty) (eg, for stenosis due to		
09310	injury, infection) (separate procedure)		
69320	Reconstruction external auditory canal for congenital atresia, single stage		

Background

The American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS) defines a reconstructive service as a procedure or surgery that is performed on abnormal structures of the body caused by congenital defects, developmental abnormalities, trauma, infection, tumors or disease. It is generally performed to improve functions, but may also be done to approximate a normal appearance. These services differ from cosmetic services, which ASPS defines as a procedure or surgery (surgical and nonsurgical) that reshape normal structures of the body in order to improve appearance and self-esteem.

Note: Coverage of reconstructive procedures is decided based on the applicable definition of medical necessity of the member's type of insurance and the Prior Authorization (PA), Medical Payment (MP) or Pharmacy (RX.PA) policy which governs the particular procedure or service.

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Attachment A



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Cosmetic versus Reconstructive Services

The following list contains examples of procedures and services considered to be cosmetic in nature and therefore **not** covered, except when indicated in the identified PA, MP, or RX.PA Policy in Column III.

This list should not be considered inclusive. The following codes for treatments and procedures applicable to this policy are included below for informational purposes. Inclusion or exclusion of a procedure, diagnosis or device code(s) does not constitute or imply member coverage or provider reimbursement policy. Please refer to the member's contract benefits in effect at the time of service to determine coverage or non-coverage of these services as it applies to an individual member.

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Procedure	Codes for Procedures in Column NOT covered	Exception for Coverage
Acne, treatment of acne cysts and Acne, comedone extraction/treatment		SEE: RX.PA.044 – Acne Medications
Actinic keratosis, destruction, unless suspicious of malignancy	Informational only No codes for configuration because of potential medical necessity	
Age spot treatments (SEE : Skin lesions, excision of benign)		
Alopecia treatment (SEE : Hair Transplant)		This may be reviewed on a case by case basis for medical necessity.
Arm, forearm, hand lift (SEE: Lipectomy)		
Birthmark/ blemish treatment (SEE: Skin lesions, excision of benign)		
Blepharoplasty lower lid		SEE: MP.074 Blepharoplasty
Body contouring after major weight loss for men		



Procedure	Codes for Procedures in Column NOT covered	Exception for Coverage
(SEE: Lipectomy)		
Body lift (SEE : Lipectomy)		
Body piercing	No specific code for this	
Botox treatments		SEE: RX.PA.025 - OnabotulinumtoxinA (Botox®), AbobotulinumtoxinA (Dysport™), RimabotulinumtoxinB (Myobloc®), and IncobotulinumtoxinA (Xeomin®)
Breast asymmetry, correction of. <i>Except in the</i> <i>case of breast cancer</i>		SEE : MP.046 - Breast Reconstruction
Breast reconstruction. Except in the case of breast cancer		SEE : MP.046 - Breast Reconstruction
Breast augmentation/lift/implants. Except in the case of breast cancer		SEE : MP.046 Breast Reconstruction
Breast reduction		SEE : PA.022 Reduction Mammoplasty
Breast repositioning		SEE: MP.046 Breast Reconstruction
Brow lift/ptosis repair		SEE: MP.074 Blepharoplasty
Buttock lift (SEE : Lipectomy)		
Cheek implant (SEE: Malar (facial) implants)		
Chemical peel		
Chest wall deformity, congenital (pectus excavatum, pectus	No specific code for this	Treatment for pectus excavatum is considered medically necessary when the



Procedure	Codes for Procedures in Column NOT covered	Exception for Coverage
carinatum) when asymptomatic		member has a Haller score of 3.25 or higher on Computed Tomography (CT) scan.
		Treatment for pectus carinatum is considered medically necessary when member has symptoms indicating medical necessity for surgery which include: severe shortness of breath on minimal exertion, reduced endurance, and exercise-induced asthma.
Chin implant or surgery for deformity, not cause by trauma or accidental injury (SEE : Genioplasty)		
Collagen replacement therapy: injections or implants		
Comedone acne extraction (SEE: Acne)		
Congenital abnormalities without functional impairment	No specific code for this	
Dental congenital abnormalities	No specific code for this	
Dermoid cyst (when not medically necessary)	30124 Excision of dermoid cyst, nose: simple, skin, subcutaneous	
Dermabrasion		



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Dermal filler and volume producing agents (i.e., Sculptra, Radiesse)	G0429 Derm filler injection for treatment facial lypodystrophy C9800 Derm injection for facial lipodystrophy Q2026 Injection, Radiesse 11950 Subcutaneous injection of filling material (e.g., collagen); 1 cc or less 11951 Subcutaneous injection of filling material (e.g., collagen); 1.1 to 5.0 cc 11952 Subcutaneous injection of filling material (e.g., collagen); 5.1 to 10.0 cc 11954 Subcutaneous injection of filling material (e.g., collagen); 5.1 to 10.0 cc	
Dermoscopy	No specific code for this	
Ear piercing	69090 Ear piercing	
Ear protrusion correction (SEE: Otoplasty)		
Electrolysis epilation /hair removal (SEE : Hair Removal)		
Excision of redundant (excess) skin and subcutaneous tissue of the hips, thighs, buttocks, arms and other anatomical areas when there is not a functional physical impairment (SEE: Lipectomy) Excision/surgical planing of		
skin of nose for rhinophyma (SEE: Rhinophyma)		



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Facial & nasal implants	D5913 Nasal prosthesis D5919 Facial prosthesis D5925 Facial augmentation implant prosthesis D5926 Nasal prosthesis replacement D5929 Facial prosthesis replacement	
Eyelid surgery (Blepharoplasty, brow lifts, ptosis repair)		SEE: MP.074 - Blepharoplasty
Face lift or related procedures to diminish the aging process (SEE : Rhytidectomy)		
Fat graft, unless an integral part of another covered procedure		
Forehead lift (SEE : Rhytidectomy)		
Frown Line reduction (Refer to Glabella)		
Genioplasty (SEE : Rhytidectomy and Lipectomy)		
Glabella/Glabelloplasty (frown lines), excision/correction (SEE : Rhytidectomy)		
Gynecomastia reduction/ treatment		SEE: MP.0PA - Reduction Mammoplasty
Hair Removal (hirsutism)		
Hair Transplant (Hairplasty) or repair of any congenital or		



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acquired hair loss, including		
hair analysis		
Hemangioma treatment		
Except when atypical or		
causing functional limitation		
(i.e. affects vision, breathing,		
hearing, ability to eat,		
bleeding, ulceration, and/or		
infection.		
Hip Lift		
(SEE: Lipectomy)		
Hyperhidrosis surgery		
including endoscopic		
transthoracic		
sympathecotomy (ETS),		SEE: MP.036 -
sympathectomy (radial		Iontophoresis
artery, ulnar nerve,		lonophorodio
superficial palmar arch),		
video assisted thoracic		
sympathectomy (VATS)		
Injectable fillers		
(SEE: Dermal fillers)		
Insertion or injection of		
prosthetic material to		SEE: MP.046 - Breast
replace absent adipose tissue.		Reconstruction
Except for breast cancer		
Keloid scar treatment		
(SEE : Scar Revision)		
Labial reduction / labiaplasty	No specific code for this	
Laser band-aid face lift	No specific code for this	
Laser facial resurfacing	No specific code for this	
(SEE: Dermabrasion)		
Laser hair removal		
(SEE: Hair Removal)		
LAVIV™ (azfibrocel-T)	No specific code for this	
injections		



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Leg lift (SEE: Lipectomy)		
Lipectomy (including suction lipectomy)		
Liposuction unless an integral part of another covered procedure		
Malar (facial) implants	No specific code for this	
Mastopexy (breast lift for pendulous breasts)		SEE: MP.046 - Breast Reconstruction
Mentoplasty (SEE : Genioplasty)		
Moles /nevi, excision Except when medically necessary when there is clinical suspicion for pre- cancerous or cancerous lesions.	No specific code for this	
Neck tuck or lift (SEE : Lipectomy and Rhytidectomy)		
Moon face correction (as a result of corticosteroid therapy)	No specific code for this	
Nasal septum cartilage graft	20912 Cartilage graft, nasal septum	
Obesity surgery		SEE: PA.040 - Surgical Procedures for Morbid Obesity
Orthodontic treatment, even when provided along with reconstructive surgery	No specific code for this	SEE: DP.009 – Orthodontic Services
Otoplasty		
Pectus excavatum repair when asymptomatic (SEE : Chest wall deformity)		
Permanent makeup		



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(SEE: Tattoo)		
Port wine stain treatment Except when atypical or causing functional limitation (i.e. affects vision, breathing, hearing, ability to eat, bleeding, ulceration, and/or infection. (SEE : Hemangioma treatment)		
Radial keratotomy when defect can be corrected with lenses	65771 Radial Keratotomy	
Rhinoplasty		SEE: MP.038 - Septoplasty/Rhinoplasty
Refractive keratoplasty/eye surgery (LASIK, PTK)	65760 Keritomileusis (LASIK) 65765 Keratophakia 65767 Epikeritoplasty	
Rhinophyma treatment/excision	30120 Excision or surgical planing of skin of nose for rhinophyma	
Removal of unwanted/excessive hair growth (SEE: Hair Removal)		
Rhytidectomy (face, chin, neck, browlift)		
Rosacea, treatment of (including erythema, telangiectasia) Except when atypical or causing functional limitation	Codes are the same as Hemangioma	
Salabrasion (tattoo removal) (SEE: Tattoo)		
Scar revision Except when atypical or causing functional limitation	15786 Abrasion; single lesion (e.g., keratosis, scar)	
(i.e. affects vision, breathing, hearing, ability to eat,	15787 Abrasion; each additional four lesions or less	



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bleeding, ulceration, and/or infection.		
Sclerosing of Spider Veins (SEE: Spider vein removal/repair)		
Septoplasty		SEE: MP.038 – Septoplasty/Rhinoplast y
Septorhinoplasty		SEE: MP.038 - Septoplasty- Rhinoplasty
Skin discoloration (including dyschromia, and treatment)	No specific code for this	
Skin lesions, excision of benign Except when atypical or causing functional limitation (i.e. affects vision, breathing, hearing, ability to eat, bleeding, ulceration, and/or infection; OR Except when medically necessary when there is clinical suspicion for pre- cancerous or cancerous lesions.	Informational only No codes for configuration because of potential medical necessity	
Skin removal for excessive/redundant skin. Except for breast cancer (SEE: Lipectomy)		SEE: MP.046 - Breast Reconstruction
Skin rejuvenation and resurfacing (SEE: Dermabrasion)	No specific code for this	



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Spider vein removal/repair, including telangiectasia and stellate angioma		SEE: MP.066 - Varicose Veins
Skin tag removal, Except when atypical or causing functional limitation (i.e. affects vision, bleeding, ulceration, and/or infection.	Informational only No codes for configuration because of potential medical necessity	
Subcutaneous injection of filling material (e.g. Restylane, Collagen, Hyaluronic acid) (SEE: Dermal fillers)		SEE: RX.PA.073 - Hyaluronic Acid Products
Surgical repair of inverted nipple		SEE: MP.046 - Breast Reconstruction
Tattoo (decorative or self induced) removal/treatment	No specific code for this	SEE: MP.046 - Breast Reconstruction
Thigh lift (SEE : Lipectomy)		
Temporal Mandibular Joint (TMJ), non surgical treatment		SEE: MP.016 - TMJ
Tissue expansion, when not medically necessary		SEE: MP.046 - Breast Reconstruction
Torn earlobe repair	No specific code for this	
Umbilectomy, omphalectomy, excision of umbilicus (separate procedure)	49250 Umbilectomy, omphalectomy, excision of umbilicus	



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Varicose veins, removal of spider veins (telangiectasia)		SEE: MP.066 - Varicose Veins
Voice lifting procedures (To restore voice to youthful quality, implants, injections of fat or collagen)		SEE: MP.082 - Voice Prosthesis and Laryngeal Devices
XEOMIN® (incobotulinumtoxinA) injections when used to improve the appearance of glabellar lines		SEE: RX.PA.025 - OnabotulinumtoxinA (Botox®), AbobotulinumtoxinA (Dysport™), RimabotulinumtoxinB (Myobloc®), and IncobotulinumtoxinA (Xeomin®)

