

Penile Prosthesis Surgery, Surgical 23

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Purpose:

This policy addresses the medical necessity of Penile Prosthesis Surgery.

Description & Definitions:

Penile Prosthesis is a surgical procedure to implant a device (semi rigid or inflatable) in the penis.

Criteria:

Penile Prosthesis is considered medically necessary for **1 or more** of the following:

- Implantation of semi-rigid penile prosthesis or inflatable penile prosthesis (implantable penile pumps) for individuals who have documented physiologic erectile dysfunction with **All** of the following:
 - Absence of **All** of the following:
 - Untreated depression or psychiatric illness
 - Drug-induced impotence related to **1 or more** of the following:
 - Alcohol
 - Anabolic steroids
 - Anticholinergics
 - Antidepressants
 - Antipsychotics
 - Central nervous system depressants
 - Illicit drug abuse
 - Normal levels of **All** of the following:
 - Prolactin
 - Testosterone
 - Thyroid hormone levels
 - History of **1 or more** of the following:
 - Injury to the bladder, perineum/genitalia, and/or erection control

- Prior history of **1 or more** of the following:
 - Prostate Surgery
 - Bladder Surgery
 - Bowel surgery
 - Spinal surgery
 - Prior vascular surgery involving **1 or more** of the following:
 - Aorta
 - Femoral blood vessels
 - Neurological disease (e.g. diabetic neuropathy, spinal cord injury)
 - Peyronie's disease
 - Renal failure
 - Vascular insufficiency documented by dynamic infusion cavernosometry and cavernosography (DICC)
 - Venous incompetence documented by dynamic infusion cavernosometry and cavernosography (DICC)
 - Venous leak of the penis
 - Nonsurgical methods have been ineffective
- Removal of a penile implant is considered medically necessary for **1 or more** of the following:
 - Intractable pain
 - Mechanical failure
 - Urinary obstruction
 - An infected prosthesis
- Reimplantation of a penile implant is considered medically necessary for individuals with **All** of the following:
 - Absence of **All** of the following:
 - Untreated depression or psychiatric illness
 - Drug-induced impotence related to **1 or more** of the following:
 - Alcohol
 - Anabolic steroids
 - Anticholinergics
 - Antidepressants
 - Antipsychotics
 - Central nervous system depressants
 - Illicit drug abuse
 - Normal levels of all of the following:
 - Prolactin
 - Testosterone
 - Thyroid hormone levels
 - History of **1 or more** of the following:
 - Injury to the bladder, perineum/genitalia, and/or erection control
 - Prior history of **1 or more** of the following:
 - Prostate Surgery
 - Bladder Surgery
 - Bowel surgery
 - Spinal surgery
 - Prior vascular surgery involving **1 or more** of the following:
 - Aorta
 - Femoral blood vessels
 - Neurological disease (e.g. diabetic neuropathy, spinal cord injury)
 - Peyronie's disease
 - Renal failure

- Vascular insufficiency documented by dynamic infusion cavernosometry and cavernosography (DICC)
 - Venous incompetence documented by dynamic infusion cavernosometry and cavernosography (DICC)
 - Venous leak of the penis
 - Nonsurgical methods have been ineffective
- Prior prosthesis was removed for medically necessary indications of **1 or more** of the following:
 - Intractable pain
 - Mechanical failure
 - Urinary obstruction
 - An infected prosthesis

Penile Prosthesis is considered not medically necessary for uses other than those listed in the clinical criteria.

Coding:

Medically necessary with criteria:

Coding	Description
CPT 54400	Insertion of penile prosthesis; non inflatable (semi-rigid)
CPT 54401	Insertion of penile prosthesis; inflatable (self-contained)
CPT 54405	Insertion of multi component, inflatable penile prosthesis, including placement of pump, cylinders, and reservoir
CPT 54406	Removal of all components of a multi-component, inflatable penile prosthesis without replacement of prosthesis
CPT 54408	Repair of component(s) of a multi-component, inflatable penile prosthesis
CPT 54410	Removal and replacement of all component(s) of a multi-component, inflatable penile prosthesis at the same operative session
CPT 54411	Removal and replacement of all components of a multi-component inflatable penile prosthesis through an infected field at the same operative session, including irrigation and debridement of infected tissue
CPT 54415	Removal of non-inflatable (semi rigid) or inflatable (self-contained) penile prosthesis, without replacement of prosthesis
CPT 54416	Removal and replacement of non-inflatable (semi rigid) or inflatable (self-contained) penile prosthesis at the same operative session
CPT 54417	Removal and replacement of non-rigid or inflatable (self-contained) penile prosthesis through an infected field at the same operative session, including irrigation and debridement of infected tissue

Considered Not Medically Necessary:

Coding	Description
	None

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- 1999: November
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Special Notes: *

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SHP Penile Prosthesis Surgery, SHP Surgical 23, Implant, semi-rigid penile prosthesis, inflatable penile prosthesis, implantable penile pumps, penile implant, Reimplantation, noninflatable penile prosthesis, Penile implant, implantable penile pumps, inflatable penile prosthesis (IPP), Malleable implants, Penile co-implanted (fluid reservoir and a pump)