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National Coverage Determination (NCD) for Single Chamber and Dual Chamber Permanent Cardiac Pacemakers

Note: This article was revised on August 29, 2017, to add a reference to MLN Matters Article [MM10117](#). MM10117 informs MACs that effective January 18, 2017, CMS covers leadless pacemakers through Coverage with Evidence Development (CED) when procedures are performed in CMS-approved CED studies. All other information is unchanged.

Provider Types Affected

This MLN Matters® Article is intended for physicians, providers, and suppliers submitting claims to MACs for single chamber and dual chamber permanent cardiac pacemaker services provided to Medicare beneficiaries.

Additional Information

The official instruction, CR 9078, was issued to your MAC via two transmittals. The first transmittal updates the “Medicare Claims Processing Manual” and it is available at <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/Downloads/R3421CP.pdf> on the CMS website. The second updates the Medicare “National Coverage Determination Manual” and it is available at <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/Downloads/R187NCD.pdf> on the CMS website.

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If you have questions, please contact your MAC at their toll-free number. The number is available at <http://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNMattersArticles/index.html> under - How Does It Work?

Document History

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August 29, 2017	This article was revised to add a reference to MLN Matters Article MM10117 . MM10117 informs MACs that effective January 18, 2017, CMS covers leadless pacemakers through Coverage with Evidence Development (CED) when procedures are performed in CMS-approved CED studies.
January 27, 2016	This article was revised to reflect the revised CR9078 issued on December 10, 2015. The CR was revised to further clarify that the MACs are to implement the NCD at the local level until Medicare system instructions are revised and Medicare system changes are implemented. The CR also included a specific implementation date of January 13, 2016 for local implementation.
November 13, 2015	All references to the old claims processing instructions were removed from the article.
October 28, 2015	This article was revised to reflect the revised CR9078 issued on October 26. The CR was revised to direct the MACs to implement the NCD at the local level until Medicare system instructions are revised and Medicare system changes are implemented.
May 26, 2015	This article was revised to add a reference to MLN Matters® Article MM8525 which allows payment for nationally covered implanted permanent cardiac pacemakers, single chamber or dual chamber, for the indications outlined in the “Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual.”

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