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Transcatheter Heart Valve Replacement and Repair Procedures

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Covered Service: Yes

**Prior Authorization
Required:** No

**Additional
Information:** None

Prevea360 Health Plan Medical Policy:

Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement (TAVR)

- 1.0 TAVR using an FDA approved system (e.g., Edwards SAPIEN™ system; CoreValve® system; Abbott Portico™ with FlexNav™) according to FDA-approved indications **does not** require prior authorization and is considered medically necessary for members when **ALL** of the following criteria are met:
 - 1.1 Member has severe symptomatic native aortic valve stenosis; **AND**
 - 1.2 Member has been determined an appropriate surgical candidate for TAVR by a cardiac surgeon (this may include members determined to be inoperable for, or at high or greater risk for, open aortic valve replacement); **AND**
 - 1.3 Member's existing co-morbidities, if present, will not preclude the expected benefit from correction of the aortic stenosis.
- 2.0 TAVR using the Core Valve® system according to FDA-approved indications **does not** require prior authorization and is considered medically necessary for members when **ALL** of the following criteria are met:
 - 2.1 Member has a failed surgical bioprosthetic aortic valve (stenosed, insufficient, or combined); **AND**
 - 2.2 Member is judged to be at high or greater risk for open aortic valve replacement by a cardiac surgeon; **AND**
 - 2.3 Member's existing co-morbidities, if present, will not preclude the expected benefit from correction of the failed bioprosthetic valve.
- 3.0 TAVR using any other system and/or for any treatment indication not listed in (1.0 or 2.0) are considered experimental and investigational, and therefore not medically necessary.

Percutaneous Pulmonary Valve Implantation (PPVI)

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- 4.0 PPVI using an FDA approved system (e.g. Melody® transcatheter pulmonary valve and delivery system; Edwards SAPIEN XT valve; Harmony™ transcatheter pulmonary valve) according to FDA-approved indications **does not** require prior authorization and is considered medically necessary for members when **ALL** of the following criteria are met:
- 4.1 Member has a right ventricular outflow tract (RVOT) disorder; **AND**
 - 4.2 Member has been determined an appropriate surgical candidate (e.g. moderate or greater pulmonary regurgitation) by a cardiac surgeon; **AND**
 - 4.3 Member's existing co-morbidities, if present, will not preclude the expected benefit from correction of the RVOT.
- 5.0 PPVI using any other system and/or for any treatment indications not listed in (4.0) is considered experimental and investigational, and therefore not medically necessary.

Transcatheter Mitral Valve Leaflet Repair

- 6.0 Transcatheter mitral valve leaflet repair using an FDA approved device (e.g., MitraClip®) used according to the FDA-approved indications **does not** require prior authorization and is considered medically necessary for members when **ALL** of the following criteria are met:
- 6.1 Procedure is intended to be used for percutaneous reduction of significant degenerative (e.g., primary) and functional (e.g. secondary) mitral regurgitation; **AND**
 - 6.2 Member has been determined an appropriate surgical candidate (e.g., moderate-to-severe or severe mitral valve regurgitation) by a cardiac surgeon; **AND**
 - 6.3 Member's existing co-morbidities, if present, will not preclude the expected benefit from correction of the mitral regurgitation.
- 7.0 Transcatheter mitral valve leaflet repair using any other system and/or for any treatment indication not listed in (6.0) is considered experimental and investigational, and therefore not medically necessary.

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