

Adopted Clinical Guidelines as of January 1, 2026



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Note: Any Clinical Guideline not included in this standard adopted list that is needed to complete an ASO group-specific review requirement will be considered 'Adopted' for that ASO group only and for the specific type of review required.

Additionally, as part of the Pre-Payment Review Program for commercial or Federal Employee Health Benefits Program (FEHBP) plans, Clinical Guidelines approved by Medical Policy and Technology Assessment Committee (MPTAC) but not included in this standard adopted list may be used to review a provider's claims when a provider's billing practices are not consistent with other providers in terms of frequency or in some other manner or for provider education and are "Adopted" for those purposes.

State	Clinical Guideline number	Clinical Guideline name	Type of service	Original implementation date by Washington	Special notes
WA	CG-ANC-04	Ambulance Services: Air and Water	Ancillary/Miscellaneous	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-ANC-06	Ambulance Services: Ground; Non-Emergent	Ancillary/Miscellaneous	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-ANC-07	Inpatient Interfacility Transfers	Ancillary/Miscellaneous	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-BEH-14	Intensive In-Home Behavioral Health Services	Behavioral Health	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-BEH-15	Activity Therapy for Autism Spectrum Disorders and Rett Syndrome	Behavioral Health	1/1/2026	

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WA	CG-DME-06	Compression Devices for Lymphedema	Durable medical equipment	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-DME-07	Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Devices with Digitized or Synthesized Speech Output	Durable medical equipment	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-DME-10	Durable medical equipment	Durable medical equipment	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-DME-31	Powered Wheeled Mobility Devices	Durable medical equipment	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-DME-43	High Frequency Chest Compression Devices for Airway Clearance	Durable medical equipment	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-DME-44	Electric Tumor Treatment Field (TTF)	Durable medical equipment	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-DME-45	Ultrasound Bone Growth Stimulation	Durable medical equipment	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-DME-46	Pneumatic Compression Devices for Prevention of Deep Vein Thrombosis of the Extremities in the Home Setting	Durable medical equipment	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-DME-49	Standing Frames	Durable medical equipment	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-DME-57	Lower Extremity Pressure Gradient Compression Stockings	Durable medical equipment	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-LAB-13	Skin Nerve Fiber Density Testing	Laboratory	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-26	Neonatal Levels of Care	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-37	Intensive Programs for Pediatric Feeding Disorders	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-41	Moderate to Deep Anesthesia Services for Dental Surgery in the Facility Setting	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-66	Cryopreservation of Oocytes or Ovarian Tissue	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-68	Therapeutic Apheresis	Medicine	1/1/2026	

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WA	CG-MED-69	Inhaled Nitric Oxide	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-73	Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (Systemic/Topical)	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-74	Implantable Ambulatory Event Monitors and Mobile Cardiac Telemetry	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-79	Diaphragmatic/Phrenic Nerve Stimulation and Diaphragm Pacing Systems	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-81	Ultrasound Ablation for Oncologic Indications	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-83	Site of Care: Specialty Pharmaceuticals	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-88	Preimplantation Embryo Biopsy and Genetic Testing	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-89	Home Parenteral Nutrition	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-99	Intradialytic Parenteral Nutrition	Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED- 100	Surface Electrical Stimulation Devices for Headache and Migraine	Medicine	1/1/2026	
		Home Hospice			
WA	CG-MED- 101		Medicine	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-MED-	Dichoptic Digital Therapy for Amblyopia Previously Titled: Digital Therapy Devices for Treatment of Amblyopia	Medicine	1/1/2026	
	CG-OR-PR-				
WA	04	Cranial Remodeling Bands and Helmets (Cranial Orthotics)	Orthotics/Prosthetics	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-OR-PR- 05	Myoelectric Upper Extremity Prosthetic Devices	Orthotics/Prosthetics	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-RAD-29	X-rays for Low Back Pain	Radiology	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-REHAB- 03	Pulmonary Rehabilitation	Rehabilitation	1/1/2026	

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WA	CG-REHAB- 07	Skilled Nursing and Skilled Rehabilitation Services (Outpatient)	Rehabilitation	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-REHAB- 08	Private Duty Nursing in the Home Setting	Rehabilitation	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 03	Blepharoplasty, Blepharoptosis Repair, and Brow Lift	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 09	Temporomandibular Disorders	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 12	Penile Prosthesis Implantation	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 18	Septoplasty	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 24	Functional Endoscopic Sinus Surgery (FESS)	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 28	Transcatheter Uterine Artery Embolization	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 35	Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection (ICSI)	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 55	Cardiac Electrophysiological Studies (EPS) and Catheter Ablation	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 61	Cryosurgical, Radiofrequency, Microwave or Laser Ablation to Treat Solid Tumors Outside the Liver	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 70	Gastric Electrical Stimulation	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 71	Reduction Mammaplasty	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 73	Balloon Sinus Ostial Dilation	Surgery	1/1/2026	

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	CG-SURG-	Locoregional Techniques for Treating Primary and Metastatic Liver] [
WA	78	Malignancies	Surgery	1/1/2026	
	CG-SURG-				
WA	79	Implantable Infusion Pumps	Surgery	1/1/2026	
	CG-SURG-		_		
WA	81	Cochlear Implants and Auditory Brainstem Implants	Surgery	1/1/2026	
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WA	82	Bone-Anchored and Bone Conduction Hearing Aids	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG-	Bariatria Communication Character and Character and for Olivia alla Communication	0	4/4/0000	
VVA	83	Bariatric Surgery and Other Treatments for Clinically Severe Obesity	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 84	Mandibular/Maxillary (Orthognathic) Surgery	Surgery	1/1/2026	
VVA		Wandibular/Waxillary (Orthograffic) Surgery	Surgery	1/1/2020	
WA	CG-SURG- 88	Mastectomy for Gynecomastia	Surgery	1/1/2026	
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WA	CG-SURG- 92	Paraesophageal Hernia Repair	Surgery	1/1/2026	
	CG-SURG-	Angiographic Evaluation and Endovascular Intervention for Dialysis	3 7		
WA	93	Angiographic Evaluation and Endovascular intervention for Diarysis Access Circuit Dysfunction	Surgery	1/1/2026	
	CG-SURG-	Sacral Nerve Stimulation and Percutaneous or Implantable Tibial Nerve			
WA	95	Stimulation for Urinary and Fecal Incontinence, Urinary Retention	Surgery	1/1/2026	
	CG-SURG-				
WA	96	Intraocular Telescope	Surgery	1/1/2026	
	CG-SURG-				
WA	99	Panniculectomy and Abdominoplasty	Surgery	1/1/2026	
	CG-SURG-				
WA	105	Corneal Collagen Cross-Linking	Surgery	1/1/2026	
	CG-SURG-	Venous Angioplasty with or without Stent Placement or Venous Stenting			
WA	106	Alone	Surgery	1/1/2026	

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WA	CG-SURG- 117	Balloon Dilation of the Eustachian Tubes	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 118	Intraocular Anterior Segment Aqueous Drainage Devices (without extaocular reservior)	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 119	Cryopreservation of Oocytes or Ovarian Tissue	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 120	Vagus Nerve Stimulation	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 125	Canaloplasty	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 127	Products for Wound Healing and Soft Tissue Grafting: Medically Necessary Uses	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-SURG- 129	Internal Rib Fixation Systems	Surgery	1/1/2026	
WA	CG-TRANS- 02	Kidney Transplantation	Transplants	1/1/2026	

THIRD PARTY CRITERIA ADOPTED: The health plan may use guidelines developed by third parties to perform utilization management services of some procedures for certain health plan members.

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* Original Implementation Date by state - this is the original implementation date by the health plan

Notes:

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