

MCG Care Guidelines 24th Edition

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Effective July 1, 2020, we will upgrade to the 24th edition of MCG care guidelines for the following modules: Inpatient & Surgical Care (ISC), General Recovery Care (GRC), Chronic Care (CC), Recovery Facility Care (RFC), and Behavioral Health Care (BHC). The below tables highlight new guidelines and changes that may be considered more restrictive.

Goal Length of Stay (GLOS) Changes for Inpatient & Surgical Care (ISC) and Behavioral Health Care (BHC)

| Guideline | MCG Code | 24th Edition GLOS | 23rd Edition GLOS |
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| Aortic Valve Replacement, Transcatheter | S-1320 | 2 days postoperative | 3 days postoperative |
| Appendectomy, with Abscess or Peritonitis, by Laparoscopy | S-185 | Ambulatory or 2 days postoperative | 2 days postoperative |
| Appendectomy, without Abscess or Peritonitis, by Laparoscopy | S-175 | Ambulatory postoperative | Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative |
| Repair of Pelvic Organ Prolapse | S-1020 | Ambulatory postoperative | Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative |
| Urethral Suspension Procedures | S-850 | Ambulatory postoperative | Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative |
| Appendectomy, with Abscess or Peritonitis, by Laparoscopy, Pediatric | P-30 | Ambulatory or 2 days postoperative | 2 or 3 days postoperative |
| Appendectomy, without Abscess or Peritonitis, by Laparoscopy, Pediatric | P-20 | Ambulatory postoperative | Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative |
| Tibial Osteotomy, Child or Adolescent | S-1131 | Ambulatory or 1 day postoperative | 1 day postoperative |
| Schizophrenia Spectrum Disorders, Adult: Inpatient Care | B-014-IP | 5 days | 6 days |
| Schizophrenia Spectrum Disorders, Child or Adolescent: Inpatient Care | B-027-IP | 5 days | 6 days |
| Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation | B-801-T | Utilize B-801-T for Clinical Indications for procedure | Refer to BEH.00002 for Clinical Indications for procedure |

New Optimal Recovery Guidelines (ORGs) for Inpatient & Surgical Care (ISC) and New Behavioral Health Care (BHC) New Guidelines

| Body System | Guideline Title | MCG Code |
|-----------------------------|---|----------|
| Pediatrics | Appendectomy, with Abscess or Peritonitis, Pediatric | P-35 |
| Pediatrics | Appendectomy, without Abscess or Peritonitis, Pediatric | P-25 |
| Home Care Behavioral Health | Attention-Deficit and Disruptive Behavior Disorders | B-003-HC |
| Home Care Behavioral Health | Autism Spectrum Disorders | B-012-HC |

Anthem Customizations to MCG care guideline 24th Edition

Effective July 1, 2020, the following MCG care guideline 24th edition customizations will be implemented.

- Carotid Artery Stenting (W0165) – Clinical Indications were customized to reference CG-SURG-76 Carotid, Vertebral and Intracranial Artery Stent Placement with or without Angioplasty
- Deep Brain Stimulation (W0164) – Clinical Indications were customized to refer to SURG.00026 Deep Brain, Cortical, and Cerebellar Stimulation.
- Vagus Nerve Stimulation, Implantable (W0166) – Clinical Indications were customized to refer to SURG.00007 Vagus Nerve Stimulation.

To view a detailed summary of customizations, scroll down to other criteria section and select [Customizations to MCG Care Guidelines 24th Edition](#).

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