Alabama Medicaid Agency
Continuous Glucose Monitoring

INITIAL DETERMINATION CRITERIA: CGM will require prior authorization (PA), and is considered medically appropriate under the following circumstances:

- ☐ Recipient is diagnosed with type 1 diabetes mellitus
  OR
- ☐ Recipient is diagnosed with type 2 diabetes mellitus or gestational diabetes **AND** is insulin-treated with multiple (three or more) daily injections of insulin

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- ☐ The prescribing practitioner must evaluate the patient within six months prior to ordering the CGM, and at least every six months thereafter, to assess diabetes control, determine medical necessity, and confirm the criteria above are met.

*All requests **must** have supporting documentation. Documentation may include notes from the patient chart and/or pharmacy printouts.*

RECERTIFICATION/RENEWAL:

For patients who have received CGM equipment and supplies through Alabama Medicaid and need a PA renewal, an updated prescription from the prescriber as well as the initial determination criteria above must be met.

Note: *Coverage for non-medical items, even when the items may be used to serve a medical purpose, such as smart devices (smart phones, tablets, personal computers, etc.) are non-covered. This includes smart devices used in conjunction with CGMs.*

*Alabama Medicaid does not prefer one brand of CGM over the other. PAs for supplies will be approved for up to 1 year **OR** the expiration of the written order/prescription (whichever comes first).*

PROCEDURE CODES

A4239 and E2103
All procedure codes require PA.

SUPPLIES

A4239 – CGM supplies and accessories (this includes sensors and transmitters)

- 1 month supply = 1 billable unit by the DME provider for non-adjunctive CGM models.
- Supply allowances should not exceed one year supply except in cases where supplies are dispensed in boxed quantities (i.e., 1 box = 5 sensors). In those cases, supply allowances should be approved to cover 365 days of use or through the duration of the medical order, whichever comes first.

E2103 - CGM monitor or receiver

- All models: 1 receiver **or** monitor = 1 billable unit
- CGM receivers are limited to one every five years, require PA and will be considered based upon the review of submitted documentation.

Final purchase (after all discounts are applied) invoices must be included with all PA requests.

LIMITATIONS

Maintenance is not available after the device has been purchased. Repairs are prior authorized and the necessary documentation to substantiate the need for repairs must be submitted at the time of PA submission. The supplies are covered up to the maximum allowed units for the specified time frames (see supplies).

CGM receivers are limited to one every five years, require PA, and will be considered based on submitted documentation. Replacement requests made within the 5-year limit period will be considered for approval when the need for replacement is due to disaster or damage and not the result of misuse, neglect, or malicious acts by the recipient or the caregiver. This type of request must be submitted as an over the limit PA request and must be accompanied by a police report, fire report, or other appropriate documentation.