

## Insulin Delivery Devices for Managing Diabetes

### General:

External insulin pumps that deliver insulin by subcutaneous infusion are proven and medically necessary for managing individuals with Type 1 or insulin requiring Type 2 Diabetes. This policy includes use of programmable disposable external insulin pumps.

Prior Authorization is required.

### Coverage Criteria:

1. Request must be for management of Type 1 or Type 2 Diabetes requiring insulin for management.
2. Patient must have failed other management without use of insulin delivery pump device. Failure is defined as multiple extreme variations in blood sugar levels resulting in symptomatic interventions, emergency evaluations or hospitalizations and/or inability to maintain HbA1C levels at or under the appropriate target for the particular patient.
3. Patient or family member must be trained and willing to utilize the device.
4. If requesting clinician is not an Endocrinologist, requesting clinician must attest that patient has received appropriate consultations and that a treatment plan established in conjunction with an Endocrinologist is recorded in the patient record. Specialist in Diabetology or Endocrinology or primary care provider may initiate the request.

### Replacement:

Coverage for replacement device will only be considered for approval after manufacturer's warranty has expired.

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Associate Medical Director

  
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