Gloves

Coverage and Payment Policy

Sterile (A4930) and non-sterile (A4927) gloves require prior authorization. Gloves for dressing changes and catheter management are limited to use by non-agency caregivers when documented by the prescriber that the beneficiary is at risk for contamination from the caregiver(s).

Gloves are not billable by an adult care home, home health agency, or other service provider in order to meet OSHA guidelines.

Gloves supplied by RI Medicaid are for non-agency caregiver’s use. Agency staff should use gloves supplied by the Home Care Agency (non-sterile).

The prescribing provider must submit the following information:

- diagnosis, start/stop dates of treatment, frequency of treatment; and
- documentation by the prescriber, that the beneficiary is at risk for contamination from caregiver(s); and
- Indicate need for at least one procedure in either the A or B category listed below.

A. Procedures for which non-sterile gloves will be used:
- Tracheal suctioning
- G/J or N/G tube feeding
- Bladder Catheterization
- Colostomy/Ileostomy care
- Dressing changes
- Wound management

B. Procedures for which sterile gloves will be used:
- Central Venous Line
- Wound management/debridement
- Active infectious diseases requiring sterile procedures

Gloves for use while performing hygiene care, including routine incontinence care, are not covered.