

LARC, Family Planning, and Contraception

Provider Resource Guide

Health Partners Plans & Jefferson Health Plans

Long-acting reversible contraception (LARC) is the most effective reversible contraceptive method. LARC includes intrauterine devices (IUDs) and implants.

General Considerations

The woman's choice should be the primary consideration during any discussion concerning family planning and contraception. When discussing different options, providers should consider:

- More than half of all pregnancies are unintended.
- Both mothers and babies are at increased risk of complications if the interpregnancy interval is less than 6 months.

LARC Considerations

Fertility returns rapidly after the removal of an IUD or implant. LARC is proven safe for nulliparas, adolescents, and women with complex medical histories. LARC may safely be placed immediately after a delivery or termination.

- LARC provides immediate and effective contraception. LARC is considered category 2 device for breastfeeding, with the advantages outweighing the risk.
- IUDs and implants are the most effective types of contraception for teens and young adults; but less than 5% of sexually active teens use LARC. LARC does not require taking a pill each day and can prevent pregnancy for multiple years.
- Neither the IUD nor the implant protects against sexually transmitted infections (STIs); women in a non-monogamous relationship should be advised to use condoms at every sexual encounter.

Providers should be trained in LARC insertion and removal and have supplies of LARC available.

Coding

Providers can bill for outpatient and inpatient administration for Health Partners Plans (Medicaid and CHIP), and Jefferson Health Plans Individual and Family Plan members. **This is not a covered service for Jefferson Health Plans Medicare Advantage members.**

HCPCS Code	Description	Place of Service
J7296	Levonorgestrel-releasing intrauterine contraceptive system, (kyleena), 19.5 mg	Outpatient/Inpatient Hospital
J7297	Levonorgestrel- releasing intrauterine contraceptive system, 52 mg, 3-year duration	Outpatient/Inpatient Hospital
J7298	Levonorgestrel- releasing intrauterine contraceptive system, 52 mg, 5-year duration	Outpatient/Inpatient Hospital
J7300	Intrauterine copper contraceptive	Outpatient/Inpatient Hospital
J7301	Levonorgestrel-releasing intrauterine contraceptive system, 13.5 mg	Outpatient/Inpatient Hospital
J7307	Etonogestrel (contraceptive) implant system, including implant and supplies	Outpatient/Inpatient Hospital
S4989	Contraceptive intrauterine device (e.g., Progestacert IUD), including implants and supplies	Outpatient/Inpatient Hospital

Inpatient Billing

Jefferson Health Plans will pay for IUDs and implants, in addition to the All-Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Group (APR-DRG), for Health Partners Plans (Medicaid and CHIP) members who receive LARC postpartum during their obstetrical delivery hospital admission. IUDs and implants are not separately reimbursable in an inpatient setting for Jefferson Health Plans Individual and Family Plans members.

To be reimbursed for these codes in the inpatient setting for Health Partners Plans (Medicaid and CHIP) members, hospitals should submit the LARC as a specific line item on the inpatient obstetrical delivery claim with an appropriate revenue code and the applicable HCPCS code. The HCPCS code must be identified on the inpatient claim to be reimbursed.

Medical Benefit

LARC/IUDs are a medical benefit under the member's medical benefit. Participating doctors or facilities should buy-and-bill Jefferson Health Plans for the device. Providers are advised to contact the manufacturer of the specific brand, depending on the IUD the provider wants to use. Please visit the following websites for more information/guidance.

- www.kyleena-us.com
- www.mirena-us.com
- www.skyla-us.com

Pharmacy Benefit

LARC/IUDs are now a benefit under the member's pharmacy benefit. Coverage of LARC/IUD are listed on the Pennsylvania's Medicaid Preferred Drug List (PDL) under the Pharmacy Benefit. LARC devices are available from a specialty pharmacy with a provider's prescription. The provider must contact the specialty pharmacy, who will assist in coordinating the delivery services to the provider's office. A list of specialty pharmacies within HPP's Specialty Pharmacy network can be found at www.HPPlans.com/SpecialtyRX.

Family Planning Benefits

Jefferson Health Plans pays for family planning services, including contraceptive methods such as LARC, pregnancy testing, testing and treatment of STIs, and family planning education and counseling. There is no copay for Medicaid or CHIP members for these services.

Additional Resources

- American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists: www.acog.org
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/larc
- American Academy of Pediatrics: www.aap.org

Questions?

If you have any questions, contact the Provider Services Helpline at **1-888-991-9023** (Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.).