**Medical Policy:**
**Rhinoplasty (Commercial)**

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**Definitions**

| Rhinoplasty | Rhinoplasty is a surgical procedure of the nose to correct external nasal deformity while maintaining, restoring or improving nasal function. |

**Related Medical Guidelines**

**Cosmetic Surgery Procedures**

**Septoplasty**

**Guideline**

Members are eligible for rhinoplasty when **either** of the following criteria is met and high-quality photographs (Including endoscopy photos, as applicable) are provided in four views (right and left lateral, anterior, and base or worm’s view):\(^1\)

1. Performed in conjunction with a septoplasty for nasal airway obstruction when the nasal deformity contributes to the airway obstruction and septoplasty criteria are met.
2. Performed as part of reconstruction for severe deformity when documented obstructive breathing symptoms secondary to any of the following are present:
   - Excision of a nasal abscess
   - Excision of a malignant mass
   - Osteomyelitis
   - Cleft lip and/or palate repair
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- Nasal trauma or injury that resulted in significant deviation of the nasal pyramid or a creation of a significant dorsal hump
- Nasal dermoid
- Saddle nose deformity from surgery, trauma, or disease (Granulomatosis with Polyangiitis)
- Vestibular stenosis for prolonged nasal obstruction which is moderate to severe, separate from obstruction caused by deviated septum or turbinate hypertrophy, and causing problems such as breathing difficulty, bleeding, or sinusitis

1 The Plan must receive substantiating documentation that demonstrates the presence of nasal obstruction as a prerequisite to a medical necessity evaluation by a Medical Director.

Limitations/Exclusions
Rhinoplasty is not covered when any of the following are applicable:

1. Performed solely to change appearance in the absence of any signs or symptoms of functional abnormalities or nasal defects, as this would be considered cosmetic.
2. For treatment of polyps not causing severe deformity.
3. Absorbable nasal implants for the treatment of nasal valve collapse (e.g., Latera® Absorbable Nasal Implant, CPT 30468) are considered investigational.

Applicable Procedure Codes

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