



Covered Benefit: Respiratory System

CMP Published: Yes No

CPG Published: Yes ¹ No

CPG Link: [Asthma](#)

[Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease \(COPD\)](#)

Definition: Services for the respiratory system include a broad range of surgical services and procedures involving the nose, mouth, pharynx and respiratory systems.

Benefit Packages: RIte Care, Children with Special Health Care Needs, Substitute Care, and Rhody Health Partners.

Coverage Limitations:

- All inpatient hospitalizations require medical review and prior authorization.
- All experimental procedures and non FDA approved services are not covered unless for the treatment of cancer.

Exclusions:

Extended Family Planning (EFP) members are excluded; EFP members do not have a comprehensive benefit package.

Coverage Includes:

Surgical services nose, mouth, and pharynx

Surgical services respiratory system

Episodes of care occur in the following setting; included in the detailed benefit service category criteria:

Office (POS 11)

Inpatient (POS 21)

Outpatient (POS 22)

Ambulatory Surgical Center (POS 24)

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¹ Asthma and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPG), www.nhpri.org