

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois Provider Manual

HMO Scope of Benefits Section

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois, a Division of Health Care Service Corporation, a Mutual Legal Reserve Company, an Independent Licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association

Automatic External Defibrillator

Benefit

The Automatic External Defibrillator is in benefit if determined medically necessary by the Primary Care Physician.

Interpretation

The automatic external defibrillator (AED) is a portable electronic device designed to recognize ventricular fibrillation (VF) or ventricular tachycardia (VT) and deliver a shock to terminate the arrhythmia. It is designed for home use by a trained layperson (e.g., family member or companion) or a device that is worn by member(s) at risk for sudden cardiac death (LifeVest). It is intended to restore cardiac function until a physician or trained technician can attend the member.

Paid by	Equipment Charges	HMO (if referred by the PCP)
-	Equipment Charges	Member (if not referred by the PCP)