

## **DRAFT Medical Policy - Treatment of Gender Dysphoria**

**To facilitate planning by our group customers, please see the attached brief summary of our draft medical policy on the treatment of gender dysphoria. THIS POLICY IS NOT YET IN FINAL FORM AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. It is anticipated that the final medical policy will be available in late October.**

### **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES**

Covered based on the terms of the member's benefit contract.

### **HORMONE THERAPY (COMMERCIAL AND MEDICARE ADVANTAGE)**

Continuous hormone replacement therapy is covered under the medical benefit when required to be administered or implanted by a healthcare provider.\* When self-administered, continuous hormone replacement therapy may be covered through any applicable pharmacy benefit.

\*Gonadotropin releasing hormones (GnRH), for use in puberty suppression, are not covered under the Medicare Advantage plan.

### **COVERED SURGICAL OPTIONS (COMMERCIAL AND MEDICARE ADVANTAGE)**

Transwomen (Male to Female):

- Orchiectomy: removal of testicles
- Penectomy: removal of penis
- Vaginoplasty: creation of vagina
- Clitoroplasty: creation of clitoris
- Labiaplasty: creation of labia
- Breast augmentation: creation of breasts

Transmen (Female to Male)

- Mastectomy: removal of the breast
- Hysterectomy: removal of uterus
- Salpingo-oophorectomy: removal of fallopian tubes and ovaries
- Vaginectomy: removal of vagina
- Metoidioplasty: creation of micro-penis, using the clitoris
- Phalloplasty: creation of penis, with or without urethra
- Urethroplasty: creation of urethra within the penis
- Scrotoplasty: creation of scrotum
- Testicular prostheses: implantation of artificial testes