

8/1/09	No policy statement changes.
8/1/10	No policy statement changes.
8/1/11	Policy statements specific to ICD indications in pediatric patients added to policy statements and rationale. Policy statement revised to clarify the indications in ischemic cardiomyopathy with separate indications for class II/III and class I patients. Policy statement with waiting time in nonischemic cardiomyopathy was revised based on additional clinical input.
1/1/12	Coding updated.
8/1/12	No policy statement changes.
11/1/12	Policy statement added on the use of subcutaneous ICD, considered investigational for all indications. ACCF/AHA guidelines on management of patients with HCM added to policy.
11/1/13	No policy statement changes.
11/1/14	A clause "...after reversible causes (eg, acute ischemia) have been excluded" added to current statement on secondary prevention in adults. Updated CPT definitions and added new 2015 CPT codes.
10/15/15	Subcutaneous ICD may be considered medically necessary.
11/1/15	Added: Diagnosis of cardiac ion channelopathies and considered to be at high risk for sudden cardiac death to primary prevention medically necessary statement. Added: Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy and diagnosis of cardiac ion channelopathies to pediatrics medically necessary statement.
11/1/16	No policy statement changes.
11/1/17	No policy statement changes.
11/1/18	No policy statement changes.

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