

4b. EPSDT Services (continued)

Prosthetics

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a) Definition

Prosthetics outlined in this section of the state plan include orthotic devices and prosthetic devices and are available to Medicaid-eligible recipients under the age of 21 years who are eligible for Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) services and for whom services are medically necessary.

Orthotic and prosthetic devices are defined as replacement, correction, or support devices prescribed by the physician or other licensed practitioner of the healing arts within the scope of professional practice as defined by Texas law to:

- (1) artificially replace a missing portion of the body;
- (2) prevent or correct physical deformity or malfunction; or
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b) Services

Orthotic and prosthetic devices require prior authorization and must be medically necessary. The services are provided under 42 CFR §§440.120(c) and 440.225 and in accordance with applicable state and federal law and regulation. Orthotic and prosthetic devices are available to Medicaid EPSDT-eligible recipients under the age of 21 years when medically necessary and eligible for federal financial participation.

c) Providers

Orthotic and prosthetic devices are a benefit of the Texas Medicaid Program when provided by a

- Medicaid-enrolled orthotist, prosthetist, or a prosthetist/orthotist licensed by the state and in accordance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations;
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External breast prostheses are a benefit for all Medicaid eligible recipients with a history of medically necessary mastectomy procedure(s). This benefit includes external breast prostheses for the breast(s) on which medically necessary mastectomy procedure(s) have been performed. Medical necessity for an external breast prosthesis must be determined through an examination, conducted by a physician licensed to practice medicine or osteopathy in the state where and when the service is performed.

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