# Select Health

## CODING/REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

## TRAVEL ALLOWANCE FOR ORGAN TRANSPLANTS

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#### Disclaimer:

1. Policies are subject to change without notice.

2. Policies outline coverage determinations for Select Health Commercial, Select Health Advantage (Medicare/CMS), and Select Health Community Care (Medicaid/CHIP) plans. Refer to the "Policy" section for more information.

### **Description**

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## COMMERCIAL PLAN POLICY AND CHIP (CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM)

A travel allowance for transportation, lodging, and food costs may be available for Organ Transplant Services that have been preauthorized.

Select Health provides a travel allowance for organ transplants with an allotment of \$200 per day for 50 days per plan year. Benefit limitations may apply. (This coverage only currently applies to Nevada Small Employer and Individual plans.)

The following organ transplants are covered with this benefit:

- a. Bone marrow
- b. Combined heart/lung;
- c. Combined pancreas/kidney;
- e. Heart;
- f. Kidney (but only to the extent not covered by any government program);
- g. Liver;
- h. Pancreas after kidney;
- i. Single or double lung; and
- j. Small bowel

# SELECT HEALTH ADVANTAGE (MEDICARE/CMS)

Coverage is determined by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS); if a coverage determination has not been adopted by CMS, and InterQual criteria are not available, the Select Health Commercial policy applies. For the most up-to-date Medicare policies and coverage, please visit their search website <a href="http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/overview-and-quick-search.aspx?from2=search1.asp&">http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/overview-and-quick-search.aspx?from2=search1.asp&</a> or <a href="the manual website">the manual website</a>

## **SELECT HEALTH COMMUNITY CARE (MEDICAID)**

Coverage is determined by the State of Utah Medicaid program; if Utah State Medicaid has no published coverage position and InterQual criteria are not available, the Select Health Commercial criteria will apply. For the most up-to-date Medicaid policies and coverage, please visit their website <a href="http://health.utah.gov/medicaid/manuals/directory.php">http://health.utah.gov/medicaid/manuals/directory.php</a> or the <a href="http://health.utah.gov/medicaid/manuals/directory.php">Utah Medicaid code Look-Up tool</a>

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