

MEDICAID GUIDELINE

Effective: 5-1-02

RETIRED: 11-1-13

CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORING SYSTEM

CPT CODE:

- 95250** Ambulatory continuous glucose monitoring of interstitial tissue fluid via a subcutaneous sensor for a **minimum of 72 hours**; sensor placement, hook-up, calibration of monitor, patient training, removal of sensor, and printout of recording
- 95251** Ambulatory continuous glucose monitoring of interstitial tissue fluid via a subcutaneous sensor for a **minimum of 72 hours**; physician interpretation and report

CRITERIA FOR REIMBURSEMENT:

- Have glycohemoglobin (HbA_{1c}) values <4 or >9 despite treatment
- Have unexplained large fluctuations in daily preprandial glucose values
- Have unexplained frequent hypoglycemic attacks
- Have episodes of ketacidosis or hospitalizations for glucose out of control
- Have diabetes and newly pregnant or about to conceive
- Initiation of an insulin pump regimen

Initiating insulin would not be an indication for CGMS unless one of the above criteria is met.

An endocrinologist must consult and/or order the CGMS device to show medical necessity.

Frequency: allowable 3 times per year for patients meeting the above criteria.