

## Rhinoplasty (outpatient)

Blue Care Network provides coverage for this procedure for pediatric and adult members who meet medical necessity criteria. Submit prior authorization requests through the e-referral system.

The submitter will receive a prompt to complete a questionnaire to determine the appropriateness of the requested service. The questions are listed below.

If all questions are answered, e-referral will either approve or pend the case. If the case pends and BCN cannot authorize it, BCN will contact the provider for additional clinical information. Authorization is not a guarantee of payment.

Payment is based on established claim edits. Compliance with this prior authorization requirement will be monitored retrospectively.

**Applicable codes for rhinoplasty (outpatient):** \*30400, \*30410, \*30420, \*30430, \*30435, \*30450, \*30460 and \*30462

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### See below for the questions you'll encounter in the e-referral system.

You must answer each question by choosing either Yes, No, Not Applicable or another appropriate option.

**Q** Does the patient have a functional deficit that interferes with breathing that requires surgery to correct?

**A**  Possible answers:  Yes  No  N/A

**Q** Does the patient have a nasal deformity due to trauma or accidental injury affecting the nasal structures that requires surgery to correct?

**A**  Possible answers:  Yes  N/A  No

**Q** Does the patient have a nasal deformity due to a chronic condition (for example, Wegener's granulomatosis, a multisystem autoimmune disease that affects blood vessels) affecting the nasal structures that requires surgery to correct?

**A**  Possible answers:  Yes  N/A  No

**See below for the questions you'll encounter in the e-referral system. (continued)**

You must answer each question by choosing either Yes, No, Not Applicable or another appropriate option.

**Q** Does the patient have a nasal deformity due to a congenital anomaly (for example, cleft lip or palate, choanal atresia, polyrhinia, tumors, lumps or masses) affecting the nasal structures that requires surgery to correct?

**A**  Possible answers:  Yes  No  N/A

**Q** Is this surgery being performed SOLELY to improve physical appearance OR to alleviate mental health problems associated with physical appearance?

**A**  Possible answers:  Yes  N/A  No