Rhinoplasty (outpatient)

We provide coverage for this procedure for pediatric and adult members who meet medical necessity criteria. Submit 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 we cannot authorize it, we will contact the provider for additional clinical information. Authorization is not a guarantee of payment.

Payment is based on established claim edits. We will retrospectively monitor compliance with this authorization requirement.


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

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
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?

Possible answers: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

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

Possible answers: ☐ Yes ☐ N/A ☐ No