

## **CLINICIAN CHECKLIST FOR EXTERNAL BREAST PROSTHESES**

### **Policy References:**

- [Local Coverage Determination \(LCD\) \(L33317\)](#)
- [Policy Article \(A52478\)](#)
- [MLN Fact Sheet: Ordering External Breast Prostheses & Supplies](#)

**Documentation References:** [Standard Documentation Requirements Policy Article \(A55426\)](#)

The treating clinician must complete the following items:

[Standard Written Order \(SWO\)](#)

Medical records as noted below

### **Medical Documentation**

Documentation of a past mastectomy or breast absence supporting medical necessity with one of the covered diagnosis codes listed in the [External Breast Prostheses- Policy Article A52478](#)

A prosthesis or related item's diagnosis code

- Original surgical documentation isn't necessary

If ordering a different type of breast prosthesis for a beneficiary who already has one, document the beneficiary's medical condition change, which explains the need for a different type of breast prosthesis

The LCD does not specify the quantity of bras or camisoles that are covered. A physician determines what is reasonable and necessary on a case-by-case basis. Medical records should reflect and support what is ordered and dispensed to a beneficiary.