

Payment Policy CPP_43

Blood and Blood Components

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Policy Statement

We deny payment for Blood and Blood Components for the following services:

- Blood transfusion services when a member is inpatient or in observation.
- Storage of whole blood, blood components/products at facilities.

These services will deny Provider Responsibility and the member held financially harmless.
(Refer to Medical Policy for additional eligible service guidelines).

NOTE: Claims should not be submitted when the cost from a community blood bank is NOT incurred by the facility.

Related Policies

Medical Policy: Blood and Blood Components, Platelet Derived Growth Factors and Prolotherapy

Payment Policy: Inpatient Services, Supplies, and Equipment Unbundling CPP_08

Policy Implementation/Update Information

This policy was originally implemented on November 13, 2024

Date of Change	Effective Date	Overview of Change
December 05, 2024	March 01, 2025	New policy. Payment policy statement established for Blood and Blood Components, Platelet Derived Growth Factors and Prolotherapy.
January 29, 2025	March 01, 2026	External feedback received. Clarification to policy statement: The services below are not eligible for separate benefits, they

		are considered inclusive of other service and providers are held financially liable if billed: – Blood transfusion services when a member is inpatient or in observation. – Storage of whole blood, blood components/products at facilities. Minor formatting to table header and document text.
June 22, 2026	October 01, 2026	Reformatted only. Policy unchanged.

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