Payment Policies

To date, the IAC is aware that the following insurers or companies have adopted reimbursement directives. While the IAC attempts to stay abreast of reimbursement policies as a service to the vein center community, these policies are changed and updated regularly by the insurance carriers. Therefore, the IAC recommends that applicant facilities contact the insurance carriers in their area for the most accurate and current information to ensure compliance with reimbursement requirements at all times. Further questions about IAC accreditation as related to reimbursement may be directed to the IAC via e-mail.

PLEASE NOTE: The policy details within this document detailing accreditation requirements are referenced directly from insurer websites and manuals and are only a portion of the full reimbursement directives, please search for the full policy using the links provided.
AmeriHealth (New Jersey and Pennsylvania)

New accreditation requirement for office-based varicose vein procedures

All network providers who perform varicose vein procedures in the office setting will need to obtain accreditation from the Intersocietal Accreditation Commission (IAC) Vein Center. This new accreditation requirement will help ensure that providers in the AmeriHealth network meet current standards of care for these procedures.

APRIL 2019 UPDATE | To better meet the needs of the provider network, AmeriHealth has extended the deadline for the accreditation requirement for office-based varicose vein procedures. The new deadline for all network offices that perform varicose vein procedures to obtain office-level accreditation from IAC Vein Center is now June 1, 2019. This new accreditation requirement will help ensure that offices in the Independence network meet current standards of care for these procedures. Read more»

For more details, visit the AmeriHealth website»
BCBS of Massachusetts

To receive reimbursement, all professional providers, technical providers, and non-hospital-based free-standing facilities must have privileges for the following diagnostic imaging services:

- Angiography
- Bone Densitometry
- Cardiac CT Scan
- Endovenous Laser Treatment
- Fluoroscopy
- Mammography
- MRI
- Nuclear Medicine, including PET scan
- Ultrasound (general, breast, vascular, thyroid)
- X-ray

BCBS of Massachusetts applies distinct reimbursement criteria to technical providers — who perform imaging services — and professional providers — who read and interpret the images.

Apply to provide technical services:

- You can apply to be reimbursed for costs for owning, leasing, or use of diagnostic imaging for the services listed below.
- Complete a separate application for each location where you own, lease, or otherwise incur the full usage cost of diagnostic imaging equipment for any of the modalities listed below.
- If there are changes to the diagnostic imaging equipment or service site information, submit a new copy of the application with an explanation attached.

For the following modalities, use the TDI Privileging Application:

**Note from IAC:** Only the modalities that require IAC accreditation are listed below, for full listing of requirements by modality, please visit the BCBSMA website.

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For complete requirements, visit [https://provider.bluecrossma.com](https://provider.bluecrossma.com) click on Office Resources>> Enrollment>> Privileging.
Independence Blue Cross Group (Philadelphia and Southeastern PA)

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