

CHAPTER 7
SECTION 4.3

SUPPORT HOSE

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I. PROCEDURE CODES

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II. POLICY

A. Support hose are covered as a medical supply under the following circumstances:

1. Must be prescribed by a physician. A copy of the physician's prescription must be submitted with the claim.

2. Must be elastic surgical stockings made to support, bind, and maintain the muscles and tissues of the leg in position in a manner similar to that obtained through the use of a properly applied bandage of woven elastic material.

3. Their use must be directly related to an appropriate and verified covered medical condition for which benefits are otherwise authorized and are needed for the proper medical management of the condition.

B. Covered conditions include, but are not necessarily limited to, thrombophlebitis, edema and varicose veins, involving one or both legs.

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