

CHAPTER 1
SECTION 26.3

HYPERBARIC OXYGEN THERAPY

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I. PROCEDURE CODE

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II. DESCRIPTION

Hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBO) is a mode of medical treatment in which the patient is entirely enclosed in a pressure chamber breathing oxygen at a pressure greater than one atmosphere.

III. POLICY

HBO is covered when provided by an approved institutional provider, such as a hospital or specialized treatment facility.

IV. EXCLUSION

- A. Topical application of oxygen.
- B. HBO therapy for treatment of peripheral vascular disease.

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