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**PAGE CHANGE(S):** See page 2.

**SUMMARY OF CHANGE(S):** This change allows medically necessary adjustments to the banding device for individuals who underwent the Laparoscopic Adjustable Gastric Banding (LAP Band) surgical procedure prior to the effective date of coverage and who met, or would have met, the coverage criteria.

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