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Policy Clarification For Breast Reconstruction Surgery

The Department of Health and Hospitals recently published a notification to providers of a policy clarification via a Remittance Advice Message beginning April 10, 2012 that Breast Reconstruction surgery performed after a mastectomy is a covered service, but breast reconstruction to establish symmetry with contralateral breast is not covered. Tattooing the areola of the breast and reconstruction procedures to achieve symmetry of the breasts will not be covered by Louisiana Medicaid.