



**Louisiana Department of Health  
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**New Breast Reconstruction Post Mastectomy Policy**

This advisory provides notification of changes in coverage of Breast Reconstruction Post Mastectomy. Historically, Louisiana Medicaid only covered breast reconstruction post mastectomy on the affected/diseased breast. Effective with dates of service Oct. 1, 2016 and forward, Medicaid fee-for-service will now cover breast reconstruction post mastectomy of the contralateral unaffected breast to achieve symmetry for patients diagnosed with breast cancer. Medicaid fee-for-service will also cover additional services for reconstruction of the affected/diseased breast.

Information regarding this policy can be found on [www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com) under the Provider Manuals link within the Professional Services Manual.

The Managed Care Organizations will cover services listed on the Louisiana Medicaid Professional Services and related fee schedules. The fee schedules are updated to reflect additional services. Updates to Managed Care Organization changes are plan specific and are the responsibility of each Health Plan to make appropriate changes to their fee schedule, coverage criteria and prior authorization process.