

CHAPTER 3
SECTION 2.3

DERMABRASION

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I. PROCEDURE CODE RANGE

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II. DESCRIPTION

The planing of the skin by mechanical means, e.g., sandpaper, wire brushes, etc.

III. POLICY

Dermabrasion is covered on a limited basis.

IV. EXCEPTIONS

In those circumstances where coverage has been authorized for cosmetic, reconstructive and/or plastic surgery required to restore body form following an accidental injury or to revise disfiguring and extensive scars resulting from neoplastic surgery, dermabrasion which is necessary to effect the full reconstructive goals of the surgery is covered.

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