

## Court-Ordered Care

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### **1.0 DESCRIPTION**

Court-ordered care is medical service, including inpatient admissions, that a court of law orders or directs a party in a legal proceeding to obtain.

### **2.0 POLICY**

The fact that medical services are ordered by a court does not determine the coverage of those medical services. Benefits will be paid only if the service is to diagnose or treat a covered condition, if the service is at the appropriate level of care to treat the condition, and if the beneficiary (or the beneficiary's family) has a legal obligation to pay for the service.

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