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Nevada Health Solutions LLC

NHS MEDICAL POLICY

Infantile Hemangiomas
Procedure 2015-004

A. Treatment of infantile hemangiomas may be indicated when ONE of the following is present:

1	The member has Kasabach-Merritt Syndrome. (This is a life-threatening complication occurring with kaposiform hemangioendothelioma (KHE) or tufted angioma. It is characterized by profound thrombocytopenia and consumption coagulopathy.)
2	There is documented functional impairment due to the hemangioma.
3	There is documented compromise of vital structures due to the hemangioma.
4	The hemangioma is symptomatic.

B. Treatment of infantile hemangiomas may be done with any of the following techniques, either alone or in combination:

1	Sclerosing therapy
2	Laser therapy
3	Cryosurgery/Cryotherapy
4	Embolization
5	Radiotherapy
6	Surgical excision
7	Intralesional steroids
8	Oral propranolol

SOURCES

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CODE REFERENCE (This may not be a comprehensive list of codes to apply to this policy.)

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