



NHS MEDICAL POLICY

Ocular, Auricular and Facial Prostheses DME 2015-004

An ocular, auricular or facial prosthesis, or a prosthesis adjustment, may be indicated when any ONE of the following is present:

1	The eye has been enucleated (whole eye surgically removed).
2	The eye has been eviscerated (eye contents surgically removed).
3	The eye has phthisis bulbi (shrinking, deteriorating, non-functional eye).
4	There is congenital anophthalmia (absent eye) or congenital microphthalmia (small eye).
5	There is congenital or acquired microtia (small or absent ear).
6	There is a congenital or acquired defect of the face, orbit, ear or nose.
7	A need for polishing or re-surfacing of the prosthesis is described.
8	A need for replacing, resizing or adjusting the prosthesis is described.

SOURCES

Chin K, Margolin CB, Finger PT. Early ocular prosthesis insertion improves quality of life after enucleation. *Optometry*. 2006;77(2):71-75.

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CMS: Durable Medical Equipment Medicare Administrative Contractor, Local Coverage Determination (LCD) for Eye Prostheses (L11529) by NHIC, Corp., revised October 31, 2014.

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

99204, L8045, L8048, V2623, V2624, V2625, V2626, V2628, V2829

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