

CHAMPVA POLICY MANUAL

CHAPTER: 2
SECTION: 18.9
TITLE: EATING DISORDERS

AUTHORITY: 38 USC 1713; 38 CFR 17.270(a) and 17.272(a)

RELATED AUTHORITY: 32 CFR 199.4(c)(3)(ix)

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I. EFFECTIVE DATE

July 19, 1983

II. PROCEDURE CODE(S)

DSM-IV codes: 307.1, 307.51, 307.52, 307.53, and 307.59.

III. DESCRIPTION

A. The following diagnoses are considered by the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, 4th Edition, (DSM-IV) to be eating disorders.

1. Anorexia Nervosa (307.1)
2. Bulimia Nervosa (307.51)
3. Feeding and Eating Disorders of Infancy and Early Childhood Pica (307.52)
4. Rumination Disorder (307.53)
5. Feeding Disorder of Infancy or Early Childhood (307.59)
6. Eating disorder not otherwise specified

IV. POLICY

A claim for treatment of a DSM-IV eating disorder diagnosis is to be adjudicated as a mental health claim.

V. POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

A. The term "eating disorder" is not a medical diagnosis.

B. Inpatient and outpatient claims for services and supplies provided within an eating disorder program operated by a CHAMPVA authorized institutional provider may not be denied solely on the basis that the services were provided in an eating disorder program.

END OF POLICY