

Atrial Fibrillation Ablation, Catheter-Based Medical Policy

As of January 1, 2021, MVP Health Care® (MVP) will require prior authorization for atrial fibrillation ablation, catheter-based medical procedures for all MVP plans.

The procedures include:

- **93656** Comprehensive electrophysiologic evaluation, including transseptal catheterizations insertion and repositioning of multiple electrode catheters with induction, or attempted induction of an arrhythmia. This includes left or right atrial pacing/recording when necessary, right ventricular pacing/recording when necessary, and HIS bundle recording when necessary, with intracardiac catheter ablation of atrial fibrillation by pulmonary vein isolation.
- **93657** Additional linear or focal intracardiac catheter ablation of the left or right atrium, for treatment of atrial fibrillation remaining after completion of pulmonary vein isolation.

This is a new policy that addresses atrial fibrillation ablation by pulmonary vein isolation and/or focal ablation for paroxysmal and persistent atrial fibrillation. MVP will allow coverage of atrial fibrillation ablation in appropriate circumstances for symptomatic paroxysmal and persistent atrial fibrillation, based on the *American College of Cardiology and American Heart Association* guidelines.

Prior authorization will be managed through the MVP Prospective Review Utilization Management Department. Please submit requests by fax at **1-800-280-7346**.

Please review the MVP atrial fibrillation ablation, catheter-based medical policy for more information regarding medical necessity requirements and benefit limitations.

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