

BULLETIN NUMBER: 10-2019
TITLE: SPECIALIZED OUTPATIENT THERAPY
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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this bulletin is to clarify coverage for specialized outpatient therapy such as radiation, chemotherapy, infusion, inhalation therapy and Hemodialysis. Specialized outpatient therapy is covered at 80% subject to 20% copayment up to OOP max, except for costs related to Hemodialysis.

BACKGROUND:

The only specialized outpatient therapy unit available in Palau is Hemodialysis and is not covered under the NHI plan. RPPL 8-14 under §956 titled Exclusions; Palau Health Insurance shall not make payments or withdrawal for the following, unless benefits are expanded by regulation:

(a) Costs, for any care related to Hemodialysis;

INTERPRETATION

OFF-ISLAND REFERRAL

- Radiation, Chemotherapy, Infusion and Inhalation Therapy covered at 80% and subject to OOP max.
- Costs for any care related to Hemodialysis for ESRD is excluded in the Plan for all off-island care.

LOCAL INPATIENT

- Radiation, Infusion and Inhalation Therapy covered at 80% and subject to OOP max.
- Costs for any care related to Hemodialysis for ESRD is excluded in the Plan for local care.