Title: Transcatheter Mitral Valve Repair (TMVR)

Decision: The Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) covers transcatheter mitral valve repair (TMVR) under Coverage with Evidence Development (CED) and specific conditions. The conditions and criteria for Medicare coverage can be found at the website noted below.

What this means: When provided through Coverage with Evidence Development in a Medicare approved clinical study (meeting specific criteria), Medicare will cover TMVR. For information and details of coverage as a clinical research study, please refer to the Evidence of Coverage (EOC). The TMVR technology is relatively new and it is important that these procedures are performed by highly trained professionals in optimally equipped facilities. Therefore, Medicare coverage of TMVR uses “Coverage with Evidence Development,” which as a condition of coverage requires that certain provider, facility, and data collection criteria are met.

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For more information, contact Customer Services at the phone number on your member ID card.

This announcement can be found at Decision Memo for Transcatheter Mitral Valve Repair (TMVR)

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