



Lymphedema Treatment Act Final Rule Coverage Summary

What will be covered:

- Custom and standard fit daytime and nighttime garments.
- Custom and standard fit gradient compression wraps with adjustable straps.
- Bandaging supplies for any phase of treatment.
- Accessories including but not limited to donning and doffing aids, padding, fillers, linings, and zippers.

Frequency allowances:

- Daytime garments - 3 sets (one garment for each affected body part) every six months, standard or custom fit, or a combination of both.
- Nighttime garments - 2 sets (one garment for each affected body part) every two years, standard or custom fit, or a combination of both.
- Bandaging supplies - no set limit in the rule.
- Accessories - no set limit, will be determined on a case-by-case basis depending on the needs of the patient.

Coverage requirements:

- To be eligible for the above coverage, a patient must have been diagnosed with lymphedema and have a prescription for the compression supplies.
- Medicare coverage will begin January 1, 2024. There will be no retroactive coverage, meaning, you cannot submit claims for any garments or supplies purchased or ordered before 1/1/2024.

Codes and reimbursement rates:

- There will be 81 HCPCS codes specifically for lymphedema compression supplies, most of which are new, and the rule also outlines the process for the creation of additional codes in the future if needed.
- The corresponding reimbursement rates for these codes will be released soon and are not included in the rule.

Deductibles and copay:

- For traditional Medicare - these supplies will be covered under Part B, so the annual Part B deductible and 20% coinsurance apply to all compression supplies.
- For Medicare Advantage and all other types of insurance - out-of-pocket costs will vary depending on the specific terms of your plan. It is likely that your compression supplies will be subject to the same copay and deductibles as supplies covered under the DMEPOS (Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetic and Orthotic Supplies) section of your policy.

For more information please go to CMS's new page for [Lymphedema Compression Treatment Items](#) or visit the Lymphedema Advocacy Group's website for the [Lymphedema Treatment Act](#).