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PROVIDER BULLETIN

TOPIC: Artificial Discs

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Based on review of the current literature, all artificial disc devices must be approved by the FDA (Prestige-C, Synthes Prodisc-C, Mobic-C, Secure-C, Bryon-C, PCM-C, Synthes Prodisc-L, Charite-L).

All surgeons must meet the training requirements and submit a copy of the training certificate.

All procedures require peer review by a spine surgeon.

Procedures are indicated for only 1 level, with the exception of the Mobic-C which has recently received FDA approval for 2 adjacent levels.

Procedures are not indicated at a previous fusion level or adjacent to a previous fusion.

The Oswestry Low Back Disability Questionnaire must be completed by the injured worker at the time of the preauthorization request and at MMI.



