



**Binder:** OSF HealthPlans HCM Department

**Policy**

**No./Title:** HCM.CMG.245 Experimental/Investigational Procedure,  
Services or Supplies

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rafe P. Delaguna, M.D.' with a stylized flourish at the end.

**POLICY:** It is the policy of OSF HealthPlans to identify members who may be receiving experimental/investigational procedures, services or supplies. This is considered to be a safety issue.

**PURPOSE:** To promote consistency with the HCM Department

### **PROCEDURE:**

No payment will be made or services covered under this Certificate for any of the following:

Experimental medical, surgical, or other experimental health care procedures, services or Supplies. Such procedures, services or Supplies are those which, in the judgment of OSFHP: (a) are in a testing stage or in early field trials on animals or humans; (b) do not have required final federal regulatory approval for commercial distribution for the specific indications and methods of use assessed; (c) are not generally recognized as acceptable medical practice; or (d) have not yet been shown in recognized medical journals to be consistently effective for the diagnosis or treatment of the Member's condition. This exclusion does not apply to organ transplants.

Phase I clinical trials are not covered.

Phase II clinical trials may be covered by exception only.