

Coverage of any medical intervention discussed in a Medica medical policy is subject to the limitations and exclusions outlined in the member's benefit certificate or summary plan description (SPD) and applicable state and/or federal laws.

Eustachian Tube Balloon Dilation (Acclarent AERA) MP9604

Covered Service: Yes

Prior Authorization

Required: No

Additional An appropriate diagnosis code must appear on the claim. **Information:** Claims will deny in the absence of an appropriate diagnosis

code.

Medica Medical Policy:

- 1.0 Eustachian tube balloon dilation (e.g., Acclarent AERA) **does not** require prior authorization and is considered medically necessary for chronic/refractory eustachian tube dysfunction for members 18 years and older.
- 2.0 Eustachian tube balloon dilation for all other indications is considered experimental and investigational, and therefore not medically necessary.

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