

Proceedings of the Neonatal Expert Committee meeting held on 29.04.2019 regarding review of Neonatal procedures at Conference hall, SAST office, Bangalore

Members present

1. Director (MM), SAST, Bangalore
2. Dr. Naveen Benakappa, HOD, Medical Superintendent and Neonatologist, Indira Gandhi Institute Of Child Health, Bangalore.
3. Dr. Regina Joseph, Project Manager, AB-ArK.
4. Dr. Narayana NG, DD, Claims, SAST
5. Dr. Kordhanyamath, Empanelment Co-ordinator, SAST, Bangalore
6. Dr. Somshekar, Sr. Validator.

The Director (Medical Management), SAST extended warm welcome to delegates for the meeting and briefed about the Neonatal procedures. Neonatal procedure guidelines has been reviewed by the committee and after in depth discussion the following changes has been proposed. Regarding the SNCU package under Arogya Karnataka the following procedure codes are identical as AB-ArK codes 3A.M3.00002 and 3A.M3.00003.

Arogya Karnataka procedure codes

| Speciality code | Procedure Code | Procedure Name | Rates for pvt | Disadvantage |
|-----------------|----------------|---|---------------|---|
| S14 | 3A.S14.17135 | 3A.S14.17135 : Meconium Aspiration syndrome | 50900 | Investigation charges are not clear |
| S14 | 3A.S14.17141 | 3A.S14.17141 : Septicemia not requiring ventilation | 49200 | Investigation charges and disposables are not clear |

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| S14 | 3A.S14.17144 | 3A.S14.17144 : VLBW not requiring ventilation | 119900 | Investigation charges and disposables are not clear |
| S14 | 3A.S14.17145 | 3A.S14.17145 : Respiratory distress syndrome | 75550 | Usage of surfactant is not commonly seen |
| S14 | 3A.S14.17147 | 3A.S14.17147 : Asphyxia with convulsions | 73400 | Investigation charges and disposables are not clear |

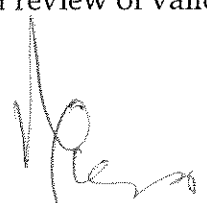
AB-ArK Procedure Codes

| Speciality Code | Procedure code | Rates for Pvt | Pre-op | Post -op | Advantages |
|-----------------|---|---------------|-------------------------------|----------------|---|
| 3A.M3.0002 | 3A.M3.00002 : Special Neonatal Care Package (Rs. 3000 per day, maximum of 18000 - pre-auth after 4 days): Babies that required admission to SNCU or NICU: Babies admitted for short term care for conditions like: • Mild Respiratory Distress/tachypnea • Mild encephalopathy • Severe jaundice requiring intensive phototherapy • Haemorrhagic disease of newborn • Unwell baby requiring monitoring • Some dehydration • Hypoglycaemia Mother's stay and food in the hospital for breastfeeding, family centred care and (Kangaroo Mother Care) KMC is mandatory and | 3000 | Clinical note and lab reports | Treatment Note | Most specific, well defined and more clarity and wider usage for the neonates |

| | included in the package rate | | | | |
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| 3A.M3.0 0003 | 3A.M3.00003 : Intensive Neonatal Care Package (Rs. 5000 per day, maximum of Rs. 50,000 – pre-auth is needed after 5 days) Babies with birth weight 1500-1799 g or Babies of any birth weight and at least one of the following conditions: • Need for mechanical ventilation for less than 24 hours or non-invasive respiratory support (CPAP, HFFNC) • Sepsis / pneumonia without complications • Hyperbilirubinemia requiring exchange transfusion • Seizures • Major congenital malformations (pre-surgical stabilization, not requiring ventilation) | 5000 | Clinical note and lab reports | Treatment Note | Most specific , well defined and more clarity and wider usage for the neonates |

Therefore the procedure codes 3A.S14.17135, 17141,17144,17145,17147 can be blocked to prevent duplication and to reduce misutilisation of the package. Recommended to avail 3A.M3.00002 and 3A.M3.00003 under AB-ArK for the Neonatals.

And they also agreed to be committee members for periodical review of validation.


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