

## **Cardiac Ablation Policy**

### **Purpose**

To describe the CVS Radiation Oncology External Policy for Cardiac Ablation.

### **Scope**

The scope of this document applies to CVS Health clients who have signed up for the CVS Radiation Oncology program under CVS Health Solutions. This document includes the external policy details for the Cardiac Ablation policy.

### **Policy**

CVS Health considers ablative radiotherapy for the treatment of cardiac arrhythmia experimental and investigational because its effectiveness has not been established.

### **References**

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