National Coverage Determination (NCD) 270.3 Blood-Derived Products for Chronic, Non-Healing Wounds

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Provider Types Affected

This MLN Matters Article is for physicians, providers and suppliers billing Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for services they provide to Medicare patients.

What You Need to Know

Make sure your billing staff knows that CMS will nationally cover autologous Platelet-Rich Plasma (PRP) for the treatment of chronic non-healing diabetic wounds under specific conditions.

Background

Effective for claims with dates of service on and after April 13, 2021, CMS will nationally cover autologous PRP for the treatment of chronic non-healing diabetic wounds under Section 1862(a)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act (the Act) for a duration of 20 weeks. This applies when using devices whose FDA-cleared indications include the management of exuding cutaneous wounds, such as diabetic ulcers.

Your MAC will determine coverage of autologous PRP for the treatment of:
- Chronic non-healing diabetic wounds beyond 20 weeks when you include the -KX modifier on the claim (HCPCS G0465)
- All other chronic non-healing, non-diabetic wounds (HCPCS G0460).
Effective for claims with dates of services on or after April 13, 2021, PRP claims for chronic, non-healing, diabetic wounds should contain HCPCS G0465, and 2 ICD-10 diagnosis codes: 1 for Diabetes Mellitus and 1 for Chronic Ulcer. See the list of acceptable diagnosis codes.

NOTE: We added the following codes in the January 2022 update of the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) and HCPCS file. The codes are effective retroactive back to the effective date of the policy, April 13, 2021:

- HCPCS G0460 - Autologous platelet rich plasma for non-diabetic chronic wounds/ulcers, including phlebotomy, centrifugation, and all other preparatory procedures, administration and dressings, per treatment
- HCPCS G0465, Autologous platelet rich plasma (PRP) for diabetic chronic wounds/ulcers, using an FDA-cleared device for this indication, (Includes administration, dressings, phlebotomy, centrifugation, and all other preparatory procedures, per treatment).

Effective for claims with dates of service on and after April 13, 2021, MACs will be adding Place of Service (POS) Code 19 to existing POS codes 11, 22, and 49.

Your MAC won’t automatically adjust previously processed PRP claims for services performed on or after April 13, 2021. They will, however, adjust such claims that you bring to their attention.

More Information

We issued CR 12403 to your MAC as the official instruction for this change. The CR consists of 2 transmittals. The first transmittal updates the Medicare Claims Processing Manual. The second transmittal updates the NCD Manual.

For more information, find your MAC’s website.
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