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Billing Clarification for J2505 Pegfilgrastim

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Provider Types Affected

Providers who bill Medicare Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs) for Pegfilgrastim

Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is August 14, 2006.
- The implementation date is August 14, 2006.
- The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) learned that providers are billing incorrectly for Pegfilgrastim.
- An analysis of claims revealed a number of providers billing multiple units of J2505 per date of service.
- CMS also noted that many providers billing multiple units of J2505 were consistently billing 6 units per date of service, indicating that 36 MG of Pegfilgrastim was given.
- HCPCS code J2505 is usually administered via a pre-filled syringe of 0.6 ML, which is equivalent to 6 MG of Pegfilgrastim.
- Providers should ensure they are billing for the number of multiples of 6 MG administered rather than the number of MG administered.
- Incorrect billing may result in overpayments with subsequent recoupment and/or investigation.

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