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## Annual Clotting Factor Furnishing Fee Update 2015

### Provider Types Affected

This MLN Matters® Article is intended for physicians and other providers billing Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for services related to the administration of clotting factors to Medicare beneficiaries.

### Provider Action Needed

Change Request (CR) 8891 announces that for Calendar Year 2015 the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.197 per unit is included in the published payment limit for clotting factors. For dates of service of January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.197 per unit is added to the payment when no payment limit for the clotting factor is included in the Average Sales Price (ASP) or Not Otherwise Classified (NOC) drug pricing files. Please be sure your billing staffs are aware of this fee update.

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## Background

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The Medicare Modernization Act section 303(e)(1) added section 1842(o)(5)(C) of the Social Security Act which requires that a furnishing fee will be paid for items and services associated with clotting factor.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) includes the clotting factor furnishing fee in the published national payment limits for clotting factor billing codes. When the national payment limit for a clotting factor is not included on the Average Sales Price (ASP) Medicare Part B Drug Pricing File or the Not Otherwise Classified (NOC) Pricing File, your MAC must make payment for the clotting factor as well as make payment for the furnishing fee.

## Additional Information

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The official instruction, CR 8891, issued to your MAC regarding this change, is available at <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/Downloads/R3055CP.pdf> on the CMS website.

If you have any questions, please contact your MAC at their toll-free number. That number is available at <http://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Net/work-MLN/MLNMattersArticles/index.html> under - How Does It Work.

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