

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
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**New Product**

**“The Medicare Home Health Benefit” Fact Sheet – Released**

- “The [Medicare Home Health Benefit](#)” Fact Sheet (ICN 908143) was released and is now available in downloadable format. This fact sheet is designed to provide education on Medicare home health services. It includes the following information: qualifying for home health services, consolidated billing, therapy services, and billing and payment.

**MLN Matters® Number: MM9152**

**Related Change Request (CR) #: CR 9152**

**Related CR Release Date: May 15, 2015**

**Effective Date: January 1, 2015 - Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2015, unless otherwise stated**

**Related CR Transmittal #: R3259CP**

**Implementation Date: July 6, 2015**

**Quarterly Update to the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) – July Calendar Year (CY) 2015 Update**

**Provider Types Affected**

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This MLN Matters® Article is intended for physicians, other providers, and suppliers who submit claims to Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for services provided to Medicare beneficiaries.

**Provider Action Needed**

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This article is based on Change Request (CR) 9152 which amends payment files that were previously issued to your MAC based upon the CY2015 MPFS Final Rule.

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Affected providers should be aware that MACs will only adjust claims brought to their attention. Please make sure your billing staff is aware of these changes.

## Background

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The Social Security Act (Section 1848(c)(4); see [http://www.ssa.gov/OP\\_Home/ssact/title18/1848.htm](http://www.ssa.gov/OP_Home/ssact/title18/1848.htm) on the Internet) authorizes the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to establish ancillary policies necessary to implement relative values for physicians' services.

Payment files were previously issued to your MAC based on the CY2015 MPFS Final Rule, which was published in the Federal Register and effective for services furnished between January 1, 2015, and December 31, 2015 (See <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-11-13/pdf/2014-26183.pdf> on the Internet).

## Quarterly Update to the MPFSDB July CY 2015 Update

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The Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 allowed the zero percent update that would have ended on March 31, 2015, to continue through to June 30, 2015, and allows for a 0.5 percent from July 1, 2015, to December 31, 2015. It also extends the physician work geographic practice cost index (GPCI) floor of 1.0, and the therapy cap exceptions process, through December 2017.

CR9152 provides files for MPFS changes that are effective for dates of service January 1, 2015, through June 30, 2015, at the zero percent update, and files for changes effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2015, at the 0.5 percent rate.

The attachment in CR9152 lists new codes Q5101, Q9976, Q9977, Q9978, 0392T, 0393T, 90620, 90621, and 90697 with the applicable "HCPCS Effective Date" for each code. Tables 1-3 below also list those codes.

In accordance with [Chapter 23](#), Section 30.1 of the "Medicare Claims Processing Manual", MACs will give providers 30-day notices before implementing the changes identified in CR 9152.

**Your MAC will not search their files to either retract payment for claims already paid or to retroactively pay claims. However, they will adjust claims brought to their attention.**

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**New Codes: Table 1**

HCPCS Code	Q5101	Q9976	Q9977
HCPCS Effective Date	3-6-2015	7-1-2015	7-1-2015
Type(s) of Service	1, P	1, L	1, P
HCPCS Coverage Code	D	C	D
Long Descriptor	Injection, Filgrastim (G-CSF), Biosimilar, 1 microgram	Injection, Ferric Pyrophosphate Citrate Solution, 0.1 mg of iron	Compounded Drug, Not Otherwise Classified
Short Descriptor	Inj filgrastim g-csf biosim	Inj Ferric Pyrophosphate Cit	Compounded Drug NOC
MPFSDB Record Date	20150306	20150701	20150701
MPFS Procedure Status	E	E	E
Work RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Full Non-Facility PE RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Full Facility PE RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Malpractice RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Site of Service	0	0	0
PC/TC	9	9	9
Global Surgery	XXX	XXX	XXX
Pre	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intra	0.00	0.00	0.00
Post	0.00	0.00	0.00
Multiple Procedure Indicator	9	9	9
Bilateral Surgery Indicator	9	9	9
Assistant Surgery Indicator	9	9	9
Co-Surgery Indicator	9	9	9
Team Surgery Indicator	9	9	9
Physician Supervision Diagnostic Indicator	09	09	09
Diagnostic Family Imaging Indicator	99	99	99
Non-Facility PE used for OPPS Payment Amount	0.00	0.00	0.00
Facility PE used for OPPS Payment Amount	0.00	0.00	0.00
MP Used for OPPS Payment Amount	0.00	0.00	0.00

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**New Codes: Table 2**

<b>HCPCS Code</b>	<b>Q9978</b>	<b>0392T</b>	<b>0393T</b>
HCPCS Effective Date	7-1-2015	7-1-2015	7-1-2015
Type(s) of Service	1	2, 8	2, 8
HCPCS Coverage Code	D	C	C
Long Descriptor	Netupitant 300 mg and Palonosetron 0.5 mg, oral	Laparoscopy, surgical, esophageal sphincter augmentation procedure, placement of sphincter augmentation device (ie, magnetic band)	Removal of esophageal sphincter augmentation device
Short Descriptor	Netupitant Palonosetron oral	Lap es sph augment dev place	Es sph augmnt device removal
MPFSDB Record Date	20150701	20150701	20150701
MPFS Procedure Status	E	C	C
Work RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Full Non-Facility PE RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Full Facility PE RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Malpractice RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Site of Service	0	0	0
PC/TC	9	0	0
Global Surgery	XXX	YYY	YYY
Pre	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intra	0.00	0.00	0.00
Post	0.00	0.00	0.00
Multiple Procedure Indicator	9	0	0
Bilateral Surgery Indicator	9	0	0
Assistant Surgery Indicator	9	0	0
Co-Surgery Indicator	9	0	0
Team Surgery Indicator	9	0	0
Physician Supervision Diagnostic Indicator	09	09	09
Diagnostic Family Imaging Indicator	99	99	99
Non-Facility PE used for OPSS Payment Amount	0.00	0.00	0.00
Facility PE used for OPSS Payment Amount	0.00	0.00	0.00
MP Used for OPSS Payment Amount	0.00	0.00	0.00

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**New Codes: Table 3**

HCPCS Code	<b>90620</b>	<b>90621</b>	<b>90697</b>
HCPCS Effective Date	2-1-2015	2-1-2015	1-1-2015
Type(s) of Service	1	1	1
HCPCS Coverage Code	C	C	C
Long Descriptor	Meningococcal recombinant protein and outer membrane vesicle vaccine, Serogroup B, 2 dose schedule, for intramuscular use	Meningococcal recombinant lipoprotein vaccine, Serogroup B, 3 dose schedule, for intramuscular use	Diphtheria, tetanus toxoids, acellular pertussis vaccine, inactivated poliovirus vaccine, Haemophilus influenza type b PRP-OMP conjugate vaccine, and hepatitis B vaccine (DTaP-IPV-Hib-HepB), for intramuscular use
Short Descriptor	Menb rp w/omv vaccine im	Menb rlp vaccine im	Dtap-ipv-hib-hepb vaccine im
MPFSDB Record Date	20150201	20150201	20150101
MPFS Procedure Status	E	E	E
Work RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Full Non-Facility PE RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Full Facility PE RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Malpractice RVU	0.00	0.00	0.00
Site of Service	0	0	0
PC/TC	9	9	9
Global Surgery	XXX	XXX	XXX
Pre	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intra	0.00	0.00	0.00
Post	0.00	0.00	0.00
Multiple Procedure Indicator	9	9	9
Bilateral Surgery Indicator	9	9	9
Assistant Surgery Indicator	9	9	9
Co-Surgery Indicator	9	9	9
Team Surgery Indicator	9	9	9
Physician Supervision Diagnostic Indicator	09	09	09

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HCPCS Code	90620	90621	90697
Diagnostic Family Imaging Indicator	99	99	99
Non-Facility PE used for OPPS Payment Amount	0.00	0.00	0.00
Facility PE used for OPPS Payment Amount	0.00	0.00	0.00
MP Used for OPPS Payment Amount	0.00	0.00	0.00

The following changes are effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2015.

CPT/HCPCS	Modifier	ACTION
34839		PC/TC Indicator = 0
88366		Non-Facility PE RVU = 5.27; Facility PE RVU = 5.27
88366	TC	Non-Facility PE RVU = 4.76; Facility PE RVU = 4.76
93355		Multiple Surgery Indicator = 6

## Additional Information

You may want to review the following articles:

- MM9081 titled “Emergency Update to the Calendar Year (CY) 2015 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) at <http://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNMattersArticles/Downloads/MM9081.pdf>; and
- MM9104 titled “Quarterly Update to the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) April Calendar Year (CY) 2015 Update” at <http://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNMattersArticles/Downloads/MM9104.pdf> on the CMS website.

The official instruction, CR9152 issued to your MAC regarding this change is available at <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/Downloads/R3259CP.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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