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Implementation of New Influenza Virus Vaccine Code

Note: This article was revised on October 21, 2016, to correct a date on page 2 **in bold**. The dates should have read, "... from August 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016. All other information is unchanged.

Provider Types Affected

This MLN Matters® Article is intended for physicians and providers submitting claims to Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for services to Medicare beneficiaries.

Provider Action Needed

Change Request (CR) 9793 which informs MACs about the changes to instructions for payment and edits for the Common Working File (CWF) to include influenza virus vaccine code 90674 (Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (ccIIV4), derived from cell cultures, subunit, preservative and antibiotic free, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use) as payable for claims with dates of service on or after August 1, 2016, processed on or after January 3, 2017. Make sure that your billing staffs are aware of these changes.

Background

CR9793 provides instructions for payment and edits to include influenza virus vaccine code 90674. Medicare waives coinsurance and deductibles for code 90674. Medicare will pay for code 90674 based on reasonable cost when submitted by:

- Hospitals on Type of Bill (TOB) 12X and 13X
- Skilled Nursing Facilities on TOB 22X and 23X

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- Home Health Agencies on TOB 34X
- Hospital-Based Renal Dialysis facilities on 72X, and
- Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) on TOB 85X

MACs will pay for influenza virus vaccine code 90674 based on the lower of the actual charge or 95 percent of the Average Wholesale Price (AWP) to:

- Indian Health Services (IHS) hospitals submitting claims on TOB 12X and 13X
- IHS CAHs submitting claims on TOB 85X
- Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities using TOB 75X, and
- Independent Renal Dialysis Facilities using TOB 72X

It is important to note that MACs will hold institutional claims with code 90674 with dates of service on or after January 1, 2017, through February 20, 2017, until the Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) changes are implemented on February 20, 2017. Medicare will issue further instructions on how to handle claims for **code 90674 with dates of service from August 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016.**

Medicare will use the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Seasonal Influenza Vaccines Pricing webpage at <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Part-B-Drugs/McrPartBDrugAvgSalesPrice/VaccinesPricing.html> to determine the payment rate for influenza virus vaccine code 90674. This applies to professional claims with dates of service on or after August 1, 2016.

Coinurance and deductible do not apply.

Additional Information

The official instruction, CR9793 issued to your MAC regarding this change is available at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/Downloads/R3617CP.pdf>.

If you have any questions, please contact your MAC at their toll-free number. That number is available at <https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Monitoring-Programs/Medicare-FFS-Compliance-Programs/Review-Contractor-Directory-Interactive-Map/>.

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