



## **Update to Coverage of Intravenous Immune Globulin for Treatment of Primary Immune Deficiency Diseases in the Home**

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### **PROVIDER TYPE AFFECTED**

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This MLN Matters® Article is for physicians, other providers, and suppliers submitting claims to Medicare Administrative Contractors for Intravenous Immune Globulin (IVIG) services for Medicare beneficiaries.

### **PROVIDER ACTION NEEDED**

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CR11295 informs MACs about changes which update the list of International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) codes for the coverage of IVIG for treatment of Primary Immune Deficiency Diseases (PIDD) in the home. Make sure that your billing staffs are aware of these changes.

### **BACKGROUND**

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The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 provides coverage of IVIG for the treatment of PIDD in the home. The Act defines “intravenous immune globulin” as an approved pooled plasma derivative for the treatment of PIDD. IVIG is covered under this benefit when:

- The patient has a diagnosed PIDD
- The IVIG administration takes place in the home of a patient with a diagnosed PIDD
- The physician determines that administration of the derivative in the patient’s home is medically appropriate.

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2004, via CR3060, the appropriate ICD-9 codes were as follows: 279.04, 279.05, 279.06, 279.12, and 279.2.

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2014, via CR8605, the appropriate ICD-9 codes were converted to the following ICD-10 codes: D80.0, D80.5, D81.0, D81.1, D81.2,

D81.6, D81.7, D81.89, D81.9, D82.0, D83.0, D83.2, D83.8, or D83.9 if only an unspecified diagnosis is necessary.

Effective for dates of service on or after the implementation date of CR11295, the coverage for IVIG in home for the treatment of PIDDs is updated to include the following ICD-10-CM codes; G11.3, D80.0, D80.2, D80.3, D80.4, D80.5, D80.6, D80.7, D81.0, D81.1, D81.2, D81.5, D81.6, D81.7, D81.89, D81.9, D82.0, D82.1, D82.4, D83.0, D83.1, D83.2, D83.8, or D83.9 if only an unspecified diagnosis is necessary.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The official instruction, CR11295, issued to your MAC regarding this change is available at <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/2019Downloads/R259BP.pdf>.

If you have questions, your MACs may have more information. Find their website at <http://go.cms.gov/MAC-website-list>.

## DOCUMENT HISTORY

Date of Change	Description
July 15, 2019	Initial article released.

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