Quarterly Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Drug/Biological Code Changes - July 2020 Update

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PROVIDER TYPES AFFECTED

This MLN Matters Article is for physicians, providers, and suppliers billing Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for drug and biological services.

PROVIDER ACTION NEEDED

CR 11769 updates the HCPCS code set for codes related to drugs and biologicals. Please alert your billing staffs of these updates.

KEY POINTS

Beginning July 1, 2020, the following HCPCS codes are payable for Medicare with the dates of service as indicated:

Effective for claims with date of service on or after February 3, 2020

- Q5119 - Injection rituximab-pvvr, biosimilar (Ruxience) 10 mg

Effective for claims with date of service on or after November 15, 2019

- Q5120 - Injection pegfilgrastin-bmez, biosimilar (Ziextenzo) 0.5 mg

For both of the above codes the Type of Service codes are 1, P and the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Data Base Status Indicator is E.
BACKGROUND

The updated quarterly HCPCS complete code set and effective dates for new codes are available at:


Drug payment policy needs may require the refinement of dates that are associated with the initial use of a code.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The official instruction, MM11769 issued to your MAC regarding this change, is available at https://www.cms.gov/files/document/r10196CP.pdf. If you have questions, your MACs may have more information. Find their website at http://go.cms.gov/MAC-website-list.

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