



National Coverage Determination (NCD) 270.3 Blood-Derived Products for Chronic, Non-Healing Wounds

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Note: We revised this Article to reflect a revised CR 12403. In the Article, we show a revised implementation date for the MACs (see above). Also, we revised the CR release date, transmittal numbers, and the web addresses of the transmittals. All other information remains the same.

Provider Types Affected

This MLN Matters Article is for physicians, providers and suppliers billing MACs for services they provide to Medicare patients.

What You Need to Know

Make sure your billing staff knows that CMS will nationally cover autologous Platelet-Rich Plasma (PRP) for the treatment of chronic non-healing diabetic wounds under specific conditions.

Background

Effective for claims with dates of service on and after April 13, 2021, CMS will nationally cover autologous PRP for the treatment of chronic non-healing diabetic wounds under [Section 1862\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)](#) of the Social Security Act (the Act) for a duration of 20 weeks. This applies when using devices whose FDA-cleared indications include the management of exuding cutaneous wounds, such as diabetic ulcers.

Your Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) will determine coverage of autologous PRP for the treatment of:

- Chronic non-healing diabetic wounds beyond 20 weeks when you include the -KX modifier on the claim
- All other chronic non-healing, non-diabetic wounds

Effective for claims with dates of services on or after April 13, 2021, PRP claims for chronic, non-healing, diabetic wounds should contain HCPCS code G0460, an ICD-10 diagnosis code for Diabetes Mellitus and an ICD-10 diagnosis code for Chronic Ulcer. See the [list of acceptable diagnosis](#) codes.

MACs won't search for claims they processed prior to the implementation date of CR 12403. They will adjust such claims that you bring to their attention.

More Information

We issued CR 12403 to your MAC as the official instruction for this change. The CR consists of 2 transmittals. The [first transmittal](#) updates the Medicare Claims Processing Manual. The [second transmittal](#) updates the NCD Manual.

NOTE: Effective for claims with dates of service on and after April 13, 2021, MACs will be adding Place of Service (POS) Code 19 to existing POS codes 11, 22, and 49.

For more information, [find your MAC's website](#).

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