



Clinical Claim Review

Medical Drug Review

Identify your potential overpayments when comparing a medical drug's dose vs. units billed.

Medical drugs and biologicals should be billed based on the dosage administered, including any appropriately discarded drug wastage and the corresponding Healthcare Common Procedures Coding System (HCPCS) descriptor.

Hospitals and providers need to ensure units of drugs administered to patients are accurately reported in terms of the dosage specified in the full HCPCS code descriptor. That is, units should be reported in multiples of the units included in the HCPCS descriptor.

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Multi-use vials are not subject to payment for medication wastage by Medicare as is outlined in CMS Publication 100-04; Chapter 17, § 40.

HMS reviews outpatient and professional medical drug claims to validate accuracy of units billed in accordance with HCPCS code descriptors and provider compliance with policy and regulations. Overpayments are identified when the medical record does not

verify administration of billed units; or the units were billed incorrectly based on policy, regulations, and/or guidelines regarding billing for medication wastage; or the units were billed incorrectly based on the HCPCS code descriptor.

Advantages

- Advanced analytics target high-value cases for review
- Clinical reviewers include pharmacists and nationally certified pharmacy technicians

Features

- Post-payment review approach, can be utilized on prepayment basis if client reimbursement allows
- No member liability associated with findings
- Customized to reflect your specific policy and regulations

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