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Annual Clotting Factor Furnishing Fee Update 2019

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PROVIDER TYPE AFFECTED

This MLN Matters® Article is intended for physicians, providers, and suppliers submitting claims to Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for services related to the administration of clotting factors provided to Medicare beneficiaries.

PROVIDER ACTION NEEDED

CR 10918 announces the clotting factor furnishing fee for 2019 is \$0.220 per unit. Make sure that your billing staffs are aware of the update to the annual clotting factor furnishing fee for 2019.

BACKGROUND

The Medicare Modernization Act Section 303(e)(1) added Section 1842(o)(5)(C) of the Social Security Act which requires that a furnishing fee will be paid for items and services associated with clotting factor.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services includes the clotting factor furnishing fee in the published national payment limits for clotting factor billing codes. When the national payment limit for a clotting factor is not included on the Average Sales Price (ASP) Medicare Part B Drug Pricing File or the Not Otherwise Classified (NOC) Pricing File, the MACs make payment for the clotting factor as well as make payment for the furnishing fee. For dates of service from January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.220 per unit is added to the payment limit for the clotting factor.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The official instruction, CR10918, issued to your MAC regarding this change is available at <u>https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-</u> Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/2018Downloads/R4128CP.pdf.



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

DOCUMENT HISTORY

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September 7, 2018	Initial article released.

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