

Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agents (ESAs) Teleconference

Medicare Part A and Part B Providers

Date: November 6, 2008

Time: 12:00 pm (EST)

Join us for an informative Teleconference relating to the topic of **Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agents (ESAs)**.

During this teleconference we will discuss the Clinical Background, CMS Rules and Regulations, Local Coverage Determinations, Recent Coverage, Coding and Billing Questions, Issues and Answers. We will then follow up with a Question and Answer period.

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 - ❑ Medicare Benefit for ESRD
 - ❑ National Coverage Determination (NCD)
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CMS Rules and Regulations

CMS Publication IOM 100-02, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 11, Section 90
www.cms.hhs.gov/manuals/Downloads/bp102c11.pdf

CMS Publication IOM 100-02, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 15, Sections 50.5.2 to 50.5.2.2
www.cms.hhs.gov/manuals/Downloads/bp102c15.pdf

CMS Publication IOM 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 8, Sections 60.2.3.1 to 60.7.3.2
www.cms.hhs.gov/manuals/downloads/clm104c08.pdf

CMS Publication, IOM 100-03, Medicare National Coverage Determinations (NCD) Manual, Transmittal No. 80, Change Request #5818, January 14, 2008, describes the NCD for the use of ESAs in Cancer and Related Neoplastic Conditions.
www.cms.hhs.gov/transmittals/downloads/R80NCD.pdf

CMS Publication, IOM 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Transmittal No. 1413, Change Request #5818, January 14, 2008, describes the coding and claims processing rules for the use of ESAs in Cancer and Related Neoplastic Conditions.
www.cms.hhs.gov/transmittals/downloads/R1413CP.pdf

CMS Publication, IOM 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Transmittal No. 1412, Change Request #5699, January 11, 2008, describes the coding and claims processing rules for the Reporting of Hematocrit or Hemoglobin Levels on All Claims for the Administration of Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agents (ESAs), Implementation of New Modifiers for Non-ESRD Indications, and Reporting of Hematocrit/Hemoglobin Levels on all Non-ESRD, Non-ESA Claims Requesting Payment for Anti-Anemia Drugs.
www.cms.hhs.gov/transmittals/downloads/R1412CP.pdf

Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)

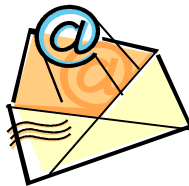
Pennsylvania Carrier LCD I-7V (L4853)
www.highmarkmedicareservices.com/policy/partb/i1/i7v.html

Pennsylvania Carrier Coding and Billing Article I-7V (A46135)
www.highmarkmedicareservices.com/articles/partb/i1/i7v-article.html

MAC J12 LCD (L27492)
www.highmarkmedicareservices.com/policy/mac-ab/l27492-r2.html

MAC J12 Coding and Billing Article (A47817)
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