
Program Memorandum Carriers

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CHANGE REQUEST 1472

SUBJECT: New Oral Anti-Cancer Drugs Approved for Use by Medicare

This Program Memorandum (PM) adds two oral anti-cancer drugs to the Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERC) list of drugs. Appropriate systems changes need to be made in order to adjudicate claims for the oral anti-cancer drugs listed below:

WW016 – Cyclophosphamide(Roxane), 50mg, Oral (NDC # 00054-8130-25)
WW017 – Cyclophosphamide(Roxane), 25mg, Oral (NDC # 00054-8089-25)

Durable Medical Equipment Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies Category: 9

Common Working File Category: Drugs (17), DMERC Submitted (60)

Type of Service: 9

Place of Service: 12, 31, 32, 33, 54, 55, 56

The approval date for Medicare coverage for the above drug is March 27, 2000.

The “WW” codes are used for DMERC internal systems only. Providers should still bill using the appropriate National Drug Code for oral anti-cancer drugs.

The *effective date* for this PM is March 27, 2000.

The *implementation date* for this PM is July 1, 2001.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after February 16, 2002.

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