Use JW Modifier When Submitting Claims for Discarded Drugs

Effective Jan. 1, 2017, Amerigroup* Community Care will follow the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services’ (CMS) requirement for contracted and non-contracted providers to:

• Use the JW modifier for claims with unused drugs or biologicals from single-use vials or single-use packages that are appropriately discarded (except those provided under the Competitive Acquisition Program (CAP) for Part B drugs and biologicals)

• Document the discarded drug or biological in the patient’s medical record when submitting claims with unused Part B drugs or biologicals from single-use vials or single-use packages that are appropriately discarded.

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