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MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC  
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UNITED STATES

**Re: Assigned HCPCS Codes for DME Billing**

**Xref Number: 85169371**

Manufacturer Name	Product Name	Model Number	Assigned HCPCS Codes
MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC	OPTIFOAM GENTLE POST-OP	MSC2148	A6254
MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC	OPTIFOAM GENTLE POST-OP	MSC21410	A6254
MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC	OPTIFOAM GENTLE POST-OP	MSC97414	A6255
MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC	OPTIFOAM GENTLE POST-OP	MSC21412	A6255
MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC	OPTIFOAM GENTLE POST-OP	MSC9746	A6254

Dear Kristen Treasure:

The Pricing, Data Analysis, and Coding (PDAC) Contractor has reviewed the product(s) listed above and has approved the listed Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code(s) for billing the four Durable Medical Equipment Medicare Administrative Contractors (DME MACs).

The PDAC Contractor provides coding assistance to manufacturers to ensure proper coding of Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS). The PDAC publishes coding decisions based on the coding guidelines established by the Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) and associated Policy Articles and any related Advisory Articles established by the DME MACs. All products submitted to the PDAC for a coding verification review are examined by coders and professionals following a formal, standardized process.

The PDAC has reviewed the above listed product(s). Based on this review and application of DME MAC policy, the HCPCS code(s) listed below should be used when billing the DME MACs:

**A6254 - SPECIALTY ABSORPTIVE DRESSING, WOUND COVER, STERILE, PAD SIZE 16 SQ. IN. OR LESS, WITH ANY SIZE ADHESIVE BORDER, EACH DRESSING**

**A6255 - SPECIALTY ABSORPTIVE DRESSING, WOUND COVER, STERILE, PAD SIZE MORE THAN 16 SQ. IN. BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 48 SQ. IN., WITH ANY SIZE ADHESIVE BORDER, EACH DRESSING**

The "Local Coverage Article: Surgical Dressings - Policy Article" states (in relevant part):

Specialty absorptive dressings (A6251-A6256) are unitized multi-layer dressings that provide (a) either a semi-adherent quality or non-adherent layer, and (b) highly absorptive layers of fibers such as absorbent cellulose, cotton, or rayon. These may or may not have an adhesive border.

Multi-component dressings that are not classified as composite dressings are categorized according to the clinically predominant component. The clinically predominant component is defined based on the proportion of material(s) in the dressing.

The product submitted for review is a sterile dressing that does not have a single component 50% or greater. The dressing is composed of the foam layer at 35% and the super absorbent polymer layer at 35%. The dressing contains multiple layers of absorbent fibers and foam, is semi-adherent and has an adhesive border. The dressing meets the definition of a specialty absorptive dressing. Therefore, HCPCS codes A6212 and A6213 are not assigned. HCPCS code A6254 for model numbers MSC2148, MSC9746, MSC21410 and HCPCS code A6255 for model numbers MSC21412 and MSC97414 are the most appropriate codes.

This decision applies to the application we received on 10/10/2018. If information submitted in that application has changed or were to change, it could impact our decision. Therefore, a new application would need to be submitted for HCPCS coding verification review. The coding assigned in this decision letter will be available on the Product Classification List (PCL) on the Durable Medical Equipment Coding System (DMECS) within ten (10) working days from the letter's date. The DMECS can be accessed on the PDAC website, [www.dmepdac.com](http://www.dmepdac.com). Please take the time to verify that this coding decision is correctly reflected in DMECS.

If you disagree with this decision, you may request a reconsideration within 45 days of the letter's date and provide evidence to substantiate a reconsideration of PDAC's original coding determination. To request a reconsideration, complete the Reconsideration Request form located on the PDAC website at <https://www.dmepdac.com/review/requesting.html>. If your request for a reconsideration is made after the 45-day time frame, it will require a new application and documentation to support the request.

It is the responsibility of manufacturers and distributors to notify the PDAC immediately of any changes involving their products, as listed on the PCL on DMECS. Further information for requesting updates to the PCL can be found on the PDAC website at <https://www.dmepdac.com/dmecs/notifying.html>. It is also the responsibility of manufacturers and distributors to assure their websites and product marketing materials accurately reflect the product reviewed by the PDAC and the coding decision assigned.

An assignment of the HCPCS code(s) to product(s) is not an approval or endorsement of the product(s) by Medicare or Noridian Healthcare Solutions; nor does it imply or guarantee claim reimbursement or coverage.

If you have questions about policy, claim coverage or reimbursement, please contact the DME MAC for your jurisdiction. For other questions, contact the PDAC Contact Center at the address listed above or by telephone at (877) 735-1326. The Contact Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. CT.

**Reminder:** There are new versions of the Code Verification Review applications available on the PDAC website at [https://www.dmepdac.com/review/applications\\_forms.html](https://www.dmepdac.com/review/applications_forms.html). The old versions of the applications are no longer accepted as of 9/1/2018.

Sincerely,

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