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MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC
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UNITED STATES

Re: Assigned HCPCS Codes for DME Billing

Xref Number: 82228947

Manufacturer Name	Product Name	Model Number	Assigned HCPCS Codes
MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC	UNNA-Z STRETCH BANDAGE	NONUNNAS130	A6456
MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC	UNNA-Z STRETCH BANDAGE	NONUNNAS40	A6456
MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC	UNNA-Z STRETCH BANDAGE	NONUNNAS140	A6456
MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC	UNNA-Z STRETCH BANDGAE	NONUNNAS30	A6456

Dear Meghan Dillon:

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:

A6456 - ZINC PASTE IMPREGNATED BANDAGE, NON-ELASTIC, KNITTED/WOVEN, WIDTH GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO THREE INCHES AND LESS THAN FIVE INCHES, PER YARD

The Local Coverage Article, "Local Coverage Article: Surgical Dressings - Policy Article (A54563)," states:

Impregnated gauze dressings (A6222-A6233, A6266, A6456) are woven or non-woven materials into which substances such as iodinated agents, petrolatum, zinc paste, crystalline sodium chloride, chlorhexadine gluconate (CHG), bismuth tribromophenate (BTP), water, aqueous saline, hydrogel, or other agents have been incorporated into the dressing material by the manufacturer.

The requested HCPCS code of A6454 states "self-adherent bandage, elastic, non-knitted/non-woven, width greater than or equal to three inches and less than five inches." The submitted products do not meet these requirements. HCPCS code A6456 states "zinc paste impregnated bandage, non-elastic, knitted/woven, width greater than or equal to three inches and less than five inches." The submitted products meet these requirements; therefore, A6456 is the appropriate code.

This decision applies to the application we received on 6/22/2018. 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. 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. The old versions of the applications will only be accepted through 08/31/2018.

Sincerely,

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