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ABHKY, in keeping with guidance from DMS, will be removing all drug codes from the Durable Medical Equipment (DME) list. DMS is currently reconciling the medical injectable drug list and will be providing updates soon.

J codes are not appropriate for DME. J codes require appropriate J code/NDC combinations for billing purposes. DME products does not use NDC codes.

The following administrative regulation establishes the provisions relating to coverage and reimbursement requirements for durable medical equipment, medical supplies, prosthetics, and orthotics.

- (8) "Durable medical equipment" or "DME" means medical equipment that:
 - (a) Withstands repeated use:
 - (b) Is primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose;
 - (c) Is generally not useful to a person in the absence of an illness or injury; and
 - (d) Is appropriate for use in the home.
- 14) "Medical supply" means an item that is:
 - (a) Consumable:
 - (b) Nonreusable;
 - (c) Disposable; and
 - (d) Primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose.

Questions?

Simply contact your Network Relations Manager. Our most current listing is attached, the listing can also be found on our website.