Program Memorandum Carriers

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SUBJECT: Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs) - Common Working File (CWF) Changes for Codes J8999, E0784, E0781, A4230-4232, E0616, and E0749

- Code J8999 (Prescription Drug, Oral, not Otherwise Specified) must be added to CWF Category 60 and 56; TOS 9. DMERCs need this code when other drug codes are not applicable.
- o Code E0784 (Ambulatory Infusion Pump, Insulin) add TOS = R; CWF Categories 1, 59 and 60; POS 12, 33, 54, 55, 56.
- o Code E078l (Ambulatory Infusion Pump) add TOS=R, 9. DMERCs must use a TOS=R; Local carriers must use TOS=9 when service is billed to them.
- o Codes A4230, A4231, A4232 (Insulin Supplies) must be DMEPOS Category 9; CWF Categories 16, 60; make it TOS=P; POS = 12, 33, 54, 55, 56.
- o Code E0616 (Implantable Cardiac Event Recorder), make it a TOS=9.
- o Code E0749 (Osteogenesis Stimulator, Surgically Implanted), make it a TOS=9.

The effective date for this Program Memorandum (PM) is July 2000.

The *implementation date* for this PM is July 2000.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after July 2001.

DMERC contractors should contact the appropriate lead regional office project officer with any questions related to this operational PM.