



## October 2021 Quarterly Average Sales Price (ASP) Medicare Part B Drug Pricing Files and Revisions to Prior Quarterly Pricing Files

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### Provider Types Affected

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This MLN Matters Article is for physicians, providers, and suppliers submitting claims to MACs for services they provide to Medicare patients.

### Provider Action Needed

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This Article tells you about the ASP methodology, which CMS bases on quarterly data manufacturers submit to us. We give the MACs ASP and Not Otherwise Classified (NOC) drug pricing files for Medicare Part B drugs on a quarterly basis. We include payment allowance limits under the Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) into the Outpatient Code Editor (OCE) through separate instructions in the [Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 4, Section 50](#). Please make sure your billing staff is aware of these updates

### Background

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This quarterly update addresses the following pricing files:

- File: October 2021 ASP and ASP NOC -- Effective Dates of Services: October 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021
- File: July 2021 ASP and ASP NOC -- Effective Dates of Services: July 1, 2021, through September 30, 2021
- File: April 2021 ASP and ASP NOC -- Effective Dates of Services: April 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021
- File: January 2021 ASP and ASP NOC -- Effective Dates of Service: January 1, 2021, through March 31, 2021

- File: October 2020 ASP and ASP NOC -- Effective Dates of Service: October 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020

For any drug or biological not listed in the ASP or NOC drug pricing files, your MAC will determine the payment allowance limits in accordance with the policy in the [Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 17, Section 20.1.3](#).

For any drug or biological not listed in the ASP or NOC drug pricing files that you bill with the KD modifier, your MAC will determine the payment allowance limits in accordance with instructions for pricing and payment changes for infusion drugs provided through an item of durable medical equipment on or after January 1, 2017, associated with the passage of the [21st Century Cures Act](#).

## More Information

MACs won't search and adjust claims they already processed unless you bring those claims to their attention.

We issued [CR 12342](#) to your MAC as the official instruction for this change.

For more information, contact your [MAC](#).

## Document History

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July 15, 2021	Initial article released.

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