



Quarterly Influenza Virus Vaccine Code Update - July 2020

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PROVIDER TYPES AFFECTED

This MLN Matters Article is for physicians, providers, and suppliers billing Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for influenza vaccine services provided to Medicare beneficiaries.

PROVIDER ACTION NEEDED

The influenza virus vaccine code set is updated on a quarterly basis. CR11603 provides instructions for payment and edits for Medicare's Common Working File (CWF) and the Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) to include and update new or existing influenza virus vaccine codes. In addition, the CR instructs MACs to modify existing editing to allow an influenza and a PPV vaccination on the same date on separate roster bills. Make sure your billing staffs are aware of these changes.

BACKGROUND

This update includes one new influenza virus vaccine code: 90694. In addition, the CR instructs MACs to modify existing editing to allow an influenza and a Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine (PPV) vaccination on the same date on separate roster bills.

Effective for claims processed with Dates of Service (DOS) on or after July 1, 2020, influenza virus vaccine code 90694 (*Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (aIV4), inactivated, adjuvanted, preservative free, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use*) is payable by Medicare. This new code will be included on the 2020 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database file update and the annual HCPCS update. MACs use the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Seasonal Influenza Vaccines Pricing webpage to obtain the payment rate for influenza virus code 90694. That page is available at <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Part-B-Drugs/McrPartBDrugAvgSalesPrice/VaccinesPricing>.

Details of the new code are:

- HCPCS Code: 90694
- Short Description: VACC AIIV4 NO PRSRV 0.5ML IM
- Medium Description: AIIV4 VACC INACTIVATED PRSRV FR 0.5ML DOS IM USE
- Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (aIIV4), inactivated, adjuvanted, preservative free, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use
- Type of Service Code: V

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The official instruction, CR10603, issued to your MAC regarding this change is available at <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/r4508CP.pdf>.

If you have questions, your MACs may have more information. Find their website at <http://go.cms.gov/MAC-website-list>.

DOCUMENT HISTORY

Date of Change	Description
January 31, 2020	Initial article released.

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