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<b>Transmittal:12987</b>	<b>Date: December 5, 2024</b>
	<b>Change Request 13843</b>

**SUBJECT: National Coverage Determination (NCD) 210.15 - Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Prevention**

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**EFFECTIVE DATE: September 30, 2024**

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**IMPLEMENTATION DATE: April 7, 2025**

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**II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS:** (N/A if manual is not updated)

R=REVISED, N=NEW, D=DELETED-Only One Per Row.

<b>R/N/D</b>	<b>CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE</b>
N	18/250/Table of Contents
N	18/250/Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Infection Prevention
N	18/250/1/Policy
N	18/250/2/Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) Drug Codes and Diagnosis Codes
N	18/250/3/Billing and Payment Requirements
N	18/250/4/Messaging

**III. FUNDING:**

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#### **IV. ATTACHMENTS:**

**Business Requirements  
Manual Instruction**

# Attachment - Business Requirements

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## II. GENERAL INFORMATION

**A. Background:** This CR provides instructions for processing PrEP for HIV Prevention Claims. PrEP involves the use of antiretroviral drugs to decrease the risk of acquiring HIV. Under §1861(ddd)(1) of the Social Security Act (the Act), CMS has the authority to add coverage of “additional preventive services” through the Medicare national coverage determination (NCD) process if certain statutory requirements are met: (1) reasonable and necessary for the prevention or early detection of illness or disability, (2) recommended with a grade of A or B by the United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF), and (3) appropriate for individuals entitled to benefits under Part A or enrolled under Part B.

**B. Policy:** Effective for claims with dates of service on or after September 30, 2024, CMS covers PrEP using antiretroviral drugs approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to prevent HIV in individuals at increased risk of HIV acquisition. The determination of whether an individual is at increased risk for HIV is made by the physician or health care practitioner who assesses the individual’s history. CMS also covers the furnishing of HIV PrEP using antiretroviral drugs, including the supplying or dispensing of these drugs and the administration of injectable PrEP.

For individuals being assessed for or using PrEP to prevent HIV, CMS covers all the following as an additional preventive service:

- a) Up to eight individual counseling visits, every 12 months, that include HIV risk assessment (initial or continued assessment of risk), HIV risk reduction, and medication adherence. Counseling must be furnished by a physician or other health care practitioner. Individuals must be competent and alert at the time that counseling is provided.
- b) Up to eight HIV screening tests every 12 months.
- c) A single screening for hepatitis B virus (HBV).

These screening tests are covered when the appropriate FDA-approved laboratory tests and point of care tests are used consistent with FDA-approved labeling and in compliance with the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA) regulations.



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		A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	rendering NPI for Part B claims)  • ICN/CCN  • Claim type									
13843 - 04.1.2	If a previously covered HIV PrEP claim that populates an HIVP auxiliary file is cancelled or adjusted as denied, CWF shall remove the auxiliary file data that the original claim populated.								X	
13843 - 04.1.3	Contractors shall display <b>next eligible date</b> on the Common Working File (CWF) provider query screen (HUQA) and include the next eligible date for the PrEP HIV services on PRVN screen.  NOTE: The next eligible date is based on the earliest posted date of service for the iteration.						X		X	HETS, MBD, NGD
13843 - 04.1.4	The contractor shall create a Multi-Carrier System Desktop Tool (MCSDT) window to display the new HIV PrEP CWF auxiliary file						X			
13843 - 04.1.5	The Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) shall modify the Direct Data Entry (DDE) screens to include the HIV PrEP auxiliary file information.					X				
13843 - 04.1.6	CWF shall modify the MBD/NGD extract files sent to Medicare Beneficiary Database (MBD) and Next Generation Desktop-Medicare Beneficiary Portal (NGD) to include the complete HIV PrEP auxiliary file information.								X	HETS, MBD, NGD



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	test codes and LIDOS in the HIV PrEP auxiliary record with the LIDOS of the HCPCS from both institutional or professional claims in the HIV PrEP auxiliary record when a HIV PrEP FROM date is within the 12-month period prior to the HBV Screening code LIDOS and the HBV Screening Test claim has a primary diagnosis code of Z29.81.									
13843 - 04.1.11	Contractors shall track up to eight individual counseling visits for PrEP for HIV every 12 months for Hospitals (013x TOB) RHCs (071x TOB), FQHCs (077x TOBs), and CAHs (085x TOB) for dates of service on or after September 30, 2024, for HCPCS code G0011 and G0013 as a facility claim for BR13843-04.1.1.					X			X	
13843 - 04.1.12	<p>Contractors shall create a reject for G0011 or G0013 for more than eight separate LIDOS visit encounter claims within a 12-month period (for both professional and institutional claims combined).</p> <p>The new edit will return trailers 08 and 43 on an A/MAC institutional Outpatient claim and trailers 08 and 39 on a B/MAC professional claim.</p> <p>NOTE: For CWF, this edit shall have override capability at the detail level for institutional outpatient claims and for Part B professional claims.</p>					X			X	

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		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
13843 - 04.1.13	<p>Contractors shall deny the CWF rejected claim and use the following messages:</p> <p>CARC 96 - Non-covered charge(s). At least one Remark Code must be provided (may be comprised of either the NCPDP Reject Reason [sic] Code, or Remittance Advice Remark Code that is not an ALERT.) Note: Refer to the 835 Healthcare Policy Identification Segment (loop 2110 Service Payment Information REF), if present.</p> <p>RARC N640 - Exceeds number/frequency approved/allowed within time period.</p> <p>MSN message: 41.14: This service/item was billed incorrectly. 41.14- Este servicio o artículo fue facturado incorrectamente.</p> <p>Claim Adjustment Group Code - CO (Contractual Obligation) or PR (Patient Responsibility) dependent upon liability. (Use PR when Occurrence Code 32 (Institutional claim) or the GA modifier (Professional claim) is appended to the line item).</p>	X	X							
13843 - 04.1.14	<p>Contractors shall pay for code G0011 on 085X TOB claims submitted with revenue code 96x, 97x, or 98x. NOTE: Payment is based on 115% of the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule.</p>	X				X				
13843 - 04.2	<p>Contractors shall accept and pay up to eight HIV screening tests codes:</p>	X	X			X			X	



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		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	<p>G0475 - HIV antigen/antibody, combination assay, screening</p> <p>G0432 - Infectious agent antibody detection by enzyme immunoassay (EIA) technique, HIV-1 and/or HIV-2, screening,</p> <p>G0433 - Infectious agent antibody detection by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) technique, HIV-1 and/or HIV-2, screening,</p> <p>G0435 - Infectious agent antibody detection by rapid antibody test, HIV-1 and/or HIV-2, screening, G0475 - Hiv antigen/antibody, combination assay, screening, or</p> <p>80081 – Organ Disease Oriented Panel</p> <p>every 12 months for individuals being assessed for or using PrEP to prevent HIV as identified with primary diagnosis code ICD-10 Z29.81.</p>									
13843 - 04.2.1	<p>Contractors shall create a reject for ‘G0432 ‘G0433’ G0435’ G0475’ or ‘80081’ for more than eight claims with different LIDOS within a 12-month period. The new edit will return trailers 08 and 43 on an A/MAC institutional Outpatient claim and trailers 08 and 39 on a B/MAC professional claim.</p> <p>NOTE: For CWF, this edit shall have override capability at the detail level for institutional outpatient claims</p>					X			X	

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		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	and for Part B professional claims.									
13843 - 04.2.2	<p>Contractors shall deny the CWF rejected claim and use the following messages:</p> <p>CARC 96 - Non-covered charge(s). At least one Remark Code must be provided (may be comprised of either the NCPDP Reject Reason [sic] Code, or Remittance Advice Remark Code that is not an ALERT.) Note: Refer to the 835 Healthcare Policy Identification Segment (loop 2110 Service Payment Information REF), if present.</p> <p>RARC N640 - Exceeds number/frequency approved/allowed within time period.</p> <p>MSN message: 41.14: This service/item was billed incorrectly. 41.14- Este servicio o artículo fue facturado incorrectamente.</p> <p>Claim Adjustment Group Code - CO (Contractual Obligation) or PR (Patient Responsibility) dependent upon liability. (Use PR when Occurrence Code 32 (Institutional claim) or the GA modifier (Professional claim) is appended to the line item).</p>	X	X							
13843 - 04.3	Contractors shall accept and pay a single Hep B Virus (HBV) screening test for individuals being assessed for or using PrEP to prevent HIV. This is a once per life-	X	X			X			X	

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		A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	time allowance.									
13843 - 04.3.1	<p>Contractors shall create a reject for more than one (HBV screening) claim line of service when HCPCS G0499, 87340, 87341, 86704, or 86706 and the HBV Screening Test claim has a primary diagnosis code of Z29.81. The new edit will return trailers 08 and 43 on an A/MAC institutional Outpatient claim and trailers 08 and 39 on a B/MAC professional claim.</p> <p>NOTE: See specific frequency associated with NCD 210.6, Hepatitis B Screening, still in effect.</p> <p>NOTE: For CWF, this edit shall have override capability at the detail level for institutional outpatient claims and for Part B professional claims.</p>					X			X	
13843 - 04.3.1.1	<p>Contractors shall deny the CWF rejected claim and use the following messages:</p> <p>CARC 96 - Non-covered charge(s). At least one Remark Code must be provided (may be comprised of either the NCPDP Reject Reason [sic] Code, or Remittance Advice Remark Code that is not an ALERT.) Note: Refer to the 835 Healthcare Policy Identification Segment (loop 2110 Service Payment Information REF), if present.</p>	X	X							

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13843 - 04.3.1.2	Contractors shall create a reject if an HBV screening is received with primary diagnosis code of Z29.81 and no PrEP HIV service have been submitted, to build the HIVP auxiliary screen. New edit returns trailers 08 and 43 on an A/MAC institutional OP claim and trailers 08 and 39 on a Part B professional claim.					X			X	
13843 - 04.3.1.3	<p>Contractors shall deny the CWF rejected claim and use the following messages:</p> <p>CARC 96 – Non-covered charge(s). At least one Remark Code must be provided (may be comprised of either the NCPDP Reject Reason [sic] Code, or Remittance Advice Remark Code that is not an ALERT.) Note: Refer to the 835 Healthcare Policy Identification Segment (loop 2110 Service Payment Information REF), if present.</p>	X	X							

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		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	<p>RARC – N386 This decision was based on a National Coverage Determination (NCD).</p> <p>MSN message: 15.20 The following policies were used when we made this decision: NCD 210.15</p> <p>Claim Adjustment Group Code - CO (Contractual Obligation) or PR (Patient Responsibility) dependent upon liability. (Use PR when Occurrence Code 32 (Institutional claim) or the GA modifier (Professional claim) is appended to the line item).</p>									
13843 - 04.4	<p>Effective for services on or after September 30, 2024, contractors shall accept and pay for PrEP for HIV claims in individuals at increased risk of HIV acquisition using the following HCPCS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>J0799 - FDA approved prescription drug, only for use as hiv pre-exposure prophylaxis (not for use as treatment of hiv), not otherwise classified, Short Descriptor: Hiv prep, fda approved, noc</li> <li>J0750 - Emtricitabine 200 mg and tenofovir disoproxil fumarate 300 mg, oral, fda approved prescription, only for use as hiv pre-exposure prophylaxis (not for use as treatment of hiv), Short Descriptor: Hiv</li> </ul>	X	X		X	X				

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	<p>prep, ftc/tdf 200/300 mg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>J0751 - Emtricitabine 200 mg and tenofovir alafenamide 25 mg, oral, fda approved prescription, only for use as pre-exposure prophylaxis (not for use as treatment of hiv), Short Descriptor: Hiv prep, ftc/taf 200/25 mg</li> <li>J0739 - Injection, cabotegravir, 1 mg, fda approved prescription, only for use as hiv pre-exposure prophylaxis (not for use as treatment for hiv) Short Descriptor: Injection, cabotegravir, 1 mg</li> <li>G0012 - Injection of pre-exposure prophylaxis (prep) drug for hiv prevention, under skin or into muscle, Short Descriptor: Inj, prep drug for hiv prep</li> </ul> <p>NOTE: Contractors shall only accept and pay for NOC code J0799 when there is not a specific code to be utilized.</p> <p>NOTE: HCPCS code G0012 is not payable by DME MACs.</p>									
13843 - 04.4.1	Contractors shall manually contractor Price for HCPCS J0739 J0750, J0751, and J0799 for claims with dates of service September 30, 2024,		X		X					

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		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	through December 31, 2024.									
13843 - 04.4.2	<p>Contractors shall accept the following HCPCS for Pharmacy Supplying Fees effective for claims with dates of service September 30, 2024, through December 31, 2024:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Q0516- Pharmacy supplying fee for hiv pre-exposure prophylaxis fda approved prescription oral drug, per 30-days Short Descriptor: Supply fee hiv prep oral 30-days</li> <li>• Q0517-Pharmacy supplying fee for hiv pre-exposure prophylaxis fda approved prescription oral drug, per 60-days, Short Descriptor: Supply fee hiv prep oral 60-days</li> <li>• Q0518- Pharmacy supplying fee for hiv pre-exposure prophylaxis fda approved prescription oral drug, per 90-days, Short Descriptor: Supply fee hiv prep oral 90-days</li> <li>• Q0519- Pharmacy supplying fee for hiv pre-exposure prophylaxis fda approved prescription injectable drug, per 30-days, Short</li> </ul>	X	X		X	X				

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		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	<p>Descriptor: Supply fee hiv prep inj 30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Q0520- Pharmacy supplying fee for hiv pre-exposure prophylaxis fda approved prescription injectable drug, per 60-days, Short Descriptor: Supply fee hiv prep inj 60</li> </ul> <p>Effective for claims with dates of service on and after January 1, 2025, the above HCPCS codes will be replaced with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Q0521 - Pharmacy supplying fee for hiv pre-exposure prophylaxis fda approved prescription, Short Descriptor: Supply fee hiv prep fda appr</li> </ul> <p>Note: A/B MACs (A) shall allow the above mentioned HCPCS codes on TOBs 71x and 77x only.</p>									
13843 - 04.4.3	<p>Contractors shall accept claims containing one of the following diagnosis codes along with one of the HCPCS codes listed in 13843-04.4 for PrEP for HIV claims:</p> <p>A51.31 Condyloma latum</p> <p>A51.32 Syphilitic alopecia</p> <p>A51.39 Other secondary syphilis of skin</p> <p>A51.41 Secondary syphilitic meningitis</p>	X	X		X	X	X			













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		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	<p>Z29.81 Encounter for HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis</p> <p>Z32.00 Encounter for pregnancy test, result unknown</p> <p>Z32.01 Encounter for pregnancy test, result positive</p> <p>Z32.02 Encounter for pregnancy test, result negative</p> <p>Z72.51 High risk heterosexual behavior</p> <p>Z72.52 High risk homosexual behavior</p> <p>Z72.53 High risk bisexual behavior</p> <p>Z72.89 Other problems related to lifestyle</p> <p>Z79.899 Other long term (current) drug therapy</p> <p>Z86.59 Personal history of other mental and behavioral disorders</p> <p>Z87.898 Personal history of other specified conditions</p>									
13843 - 04.4.4	<p>Contractors shall deny claims that contain a PrEP HCPCS code listed in 13843-04.4 and a diagnosis code listed in 13843-04.4.3 is not present on the claim and use the following messages:</p> <p>RARC N386 – This decision was based on a National Coverage Determination (NCD).</p> <p>CARC 50 – These are non-covered services because this is not deemed a ‘medical</p>	X	X		X	X				

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	<p>necessity' by the payer. Usage: Refer to the 835 Healthcare Policy Identification Segment (loop 2110 Service Payment Information REF), if present.</p> <p>MSN message: 15.20 The following policies were used when we made this decision: NCD 210.15 Group Code CO (Contractual Obligation).</p> <p>Spanish version 15.20 - Las siguientes políticas fueron utilizadas cuando se tomó esta decisión: NCD-210.15.</p>									
13843 - 04.4.5	This BR has been removed.	X	X			X				
13843 - 04.4.6	Contractors shall accept claims containing one of the following visit HCPCS codes: G0011 or G0013, listed with one of the diagnosis codes in 13843-04.4.3 for PreP for HIV claims.	X	X			X			X	
13843 - 04.4.7	Contractors shall deny claims with the messages listed in 13843-04.4.4 that contain a HCPCS code listed in 13843-04.4.6 and does not have a diagnosis code listed in 13843-04.4.3.	X	X			X				
13843 - 04.5	Contractors shall only allow payment for pharmacy supplying fees HCPCS code listed in 13843-04.4.2 if billed on the same claim as the payable covered drugs for PrEP for HIV HCPCS codes listed in 13843-04.4.	X	X		X	X	X			
13843 - 04.5.1	Contractors shall deny claims that contain a pharmacy supplying fees HCPCS code	X	X		X					

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	<p>listed in 13843-04.4.2 and a covered drug for PrEP for HIV HCPCS code listed in 13843-04.4 is not present on the same claim using the following messages:</p> <p>CARC 107: The related or qualifying claim/service was not identified on this claim.</p> <p>MSN 17.11: This item or service cannot be paid as billed.</p> <p>Group Code - CO (Contractual Obligation)</p>									
13843 - 04.6	Contractors shall not apply deductible or coinsurance for claim lines billed with the above listed HCPCS codes including drugs, counseling sessions, and pharmacy dispensing or supplying fees.	X	X		X	X				
13843 - 04.7	<p>Contractors shall remove the PARM PRMMNOPR that applies payer only modifier @3 to HCPCS J0739, J0750, J0751, J0799, Q0516, Q0517, Q0518, Q0519, Q0520, G0011, G0012, and G0013.</p> <p>NOTE: Once this CR is implemented, deductible and coinsurance do not apply to the above listed HCPCS codes.</p>	X								
13843 - 04.8	Contractors shall not search for PreP claims but may adjust claims that are brought to their attention.	X	X		X					





#### IV. PROVIDER EDUCATION

Medicare Learning Network® (MLN): CMS will develop and release national provider education content and market it through the MLN Connects® newsletter shortly after we issue the CR. MACs shall link to relevant information on your website and follow IOM Pub. No. 100-09 Chapter 6, Section 50.2.4.1 for distributing the newsletter to providers. When you follow this manual section, you don't need to separately track and report MLN content releases. You may supplement with your local educational content after we release the newsletter.

**Impacted Contractors:** A/B MAC Part A, A/B MAC Part B, DME MAC

#### V. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

**Section A: Recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements:** N/A

*"Should" denotes a recommendation.*

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:
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**Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information:** N/A

#### VI. CONTACTS

**Post-Implementation Contact(s):** Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

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