

April 2019

Q2 2019 Payment Limit Report for Urology

CMS has released the Q2 2019 drug pricing files for both average sales price (ASP) and not otherwise classified (NOC) drugs. These changes are effective **April 1, 2019** and will remain in effect until either a correction or the next scheduled update is made by CMS.

The data used for the Q2 2019 reimbursement files is based on the Q4 2018 sales data submitted to CMS by drug manufacturers. We encourage you to review the revised drug payment limit files, including reimbursement allowables on NOC drugs, on the CMS Website.

2% Sequestration Cut to Medicare Reimbursements

Due to sequestration, a 2% cut to Medicare payments has been applied to providers with services dates on or after April 1, 2013. As a result, the effective rate for office-administered drugs will be ASP+4.3%. However, the underlying allowable will remain at ASP+6%, which may be a basis for private payer reimbursement rates. We encourage you to check with your private payers to understand their allowable rates for physician fee schedule Part B drugs.

Drug	HCPCS Code	Billing Unit	Q1 2019 ASP+6%	Q2 2019 ASP+6%	% Change
Bcg live intravesical vac (TICE® BCG)	J9031	1 UNIT	\$140.26	\$141.98	1.23%
Collagenase, clostridium histolyticum (XIAFLEX®)	J0775	1 MG	\$45.06	\$46.96	4.20%
Degarelix (FIRMAGON®)	J9155	0.01 MG	\$3.80	\$3.82	0.53%
Denosumab (XGEVA®, PROLIA®)	J0897	3.75 MG	\$18.61	\$18.69	0.43%
Goserelin acetate implant (ZOLADEX®)	J9202	1 EA	\$501.21	\$488.28	-2.58%
Interferon alfa-2b (INTRON® A)	J9214	1 MG	\$34.03	\$33.59	-1.32%
Leuprolide acetate suspension (LUPRON®, ELIGARD®)	J9217	3.6 MG	\$236.15	\$224.30	-5.03%
Mitomycin	J9280	7.5 MG	\$125.07	\$115.92	-7.33%
OnabotulinumtoxinA (BOTOX®)	J0585	50 MG	\$6.14	\$6.12	-0.30%
Radium Ra 223 dichloride (XOFIGO®)	A9606	Per infusion (minimum 50 million cells)	-		
Sipuleucel-T auto CD54+ (PROVENGE®)	Q2043	Per infusion (minimum 50 million cells)	\$42,616.29	\$45,027.55	5.66%

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- Drug	Couc	Per	A31 1070	A31 10/0	Change
		infusion			
	J3315	(minimum			
		50 million			
Triptorelin pamoate (TRELSTAR®)		cells)	\$244.50	\$240.68	-1.56%
		Per			
		infusion			
	J9357	(minimum			
		50 million			
Valrubicin (VALSTAR®)		cells)	\$1,331.12	\$1,380.06	3.68%
		Per			
		infusion			
	J9225	(minimum			
		50 million	4	4	
Vantas implant (VANTAS®)		cells)	\$3,659.73	\$3,868.15	5.70%
		Per			
		infusion			
	J3489	(minimum			
		50 million	4	4	
Zoledronic acid		cells)	\$12.75	\$10.55	-17.20%