

MODIFIERS JA AND JB

Scope

This policy applies to:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kaiser Permanente Health Plan of Washington | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kaiser Permanente Health Plan of Washington Options, Inc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Medicaid |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medicare | |

Policy

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When benefits allow, Kaiser Permanente will reimburse for medications that have one J Code for multiple routes of administration. To allow for proper monitoring of dose and treatment frequency, the JA or JB modifier must be present on the claim to indicate the route of administration as either intravenous or subcutaneous. Claims for drugs that fall under this category will be reviewed and the lack of a JA or JB modifier may result in a claim denial.

Modifier	Description
JA	Intravenous administration
JB	Subcutaneous administration

Billing/Coding Guidelines

All claims must be billed according to Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) guidelines.

Policy Definitions

Not applicable

Prerequisite(s)

Not applicable

References

<https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/article-details.aspx?articleId=58544>

Frequently Asked Questions

Not Applicable

Revision History

08/29/2022 – Updated formatting

07/15/2021 – New policy

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