Medically Recalled or Replaced Devices

Effective with dates of service on and after April 1, 2019, the Kansas Medical Assistance Program (KMAP) will allow reimbursement of medically necessary procedures to remove and replace recalled or replaced devices. KMAP will not be responsible for the full cost of a replaced device if an inpatient or outpatient facility is receiving a partial or full credit for a device due to recall. Payment will be reduced by the amount of the device credit.

Providers should code services with the appropriate modifier (FB or FC) or condition code (49 or 50) to indicate services have been medically recalled.

- Modifier FB (item provided without cost to provider, supplier, or practitioner or credit received for replaced device) is used when items are provided without cost to the provider, supplier, or practitioner.
- Modifier FC (partial credit or replaced device) is used when partial credit is received by the provider, supplier, or practitioner for the replacement device.
- Condition code 49 signifies products replaced within the product lifecycle due to the product not functioning properly.
- Condition code 50 is used for product replacement for a known recall of a product.

In circumstances where KMAP has reimbursed the provider for repair or replacement of items or procedures related to items due to a medical recall, KMAP is entitled to recoup or recover fees from the manufacturer and/or distributor as applicable. In circumstances where KMAP has reimbursed the provider the full or partial cost of a replaced device and the provider received a full or partial credit for the device, KMAP is entitled to recoup or recover fees from the provider.

Note: The effective date of the policy is April 1, 2019. The implementation of State policy by the KanCare managed care organizations (MCOs) may vary from the date noted in the Kansas Medical Assistance Program (KMAP) bulletins. The KanCare Open Claims Resolution Log on the KMAP Bulletins page documents the MCO system status for policy implementation and any associated reprocessing completion dates, once the policy is implemented.