

Q3 2019 Payment Limit Report for Rheumatology/Gastroenterology

CMS has released the Q3 2019 drug pricing files for both average sales price (ASP) and not otherwise classified (NOC) drugs. These changes are effective **July 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 Q3 2019 reimbursement files is based on the Q1 2019 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	Q2 2019 ASP+6%	Q3 2019 ASP+6%	% Change
Abatacept (ORENCIA®)	J0129	10 mg	\$52.49	\$53.94	2.78%
Amnioband, guardian 1 sq cm (AMNIOBAND)	Q4151	1 SQ CM	\$ -	\$155.61	
Amnioexcel biodexcel 1sq cm (AMNIOEXCEL)	Q4137	1 SQ CM	\$ -	\$82.46	
Belimumab injection (BENLYSTA®)	J0490	10 mg	\$44.16	\$44.82	1.50%
Biovance 1 square cm (BIOVANCE)	Q4154	1 SQ CM	\$ -	\$110.22	
Certolizumab (CIMZIA®)	J0717	1 mg	\$7.87	\$8.13	3.31%
Cygnus, per sq cm (CYGNUS)	Q4170	1 SQ CM	\$ -	\$68.41	
Denosumab (PROLIA® / XGEVA®)	J0897	1 mg	\$18.69	\$19.10	2.22%
Golimumab (Simponi Aria®)	J1602	1 mg	\$22.34	\$21.89	-2.05%
Hyaluronan (EUFLEXXA®)	J7323	per dose	\$145.30	\$143.29	-1.38%
Hyaluronan (ORTHOVISC®)	J7324	per dose	Not Available	Not Available	
Hyaluronic acid (SYNVISC)	J7325	1 mg	\$11.32	\$11.39	0.57%
Ibandronate (BONIVA®)	J1740	1 mg	\$44.45	\$45.73	2.88%
Infliximab (REMICADE®)	J1745	10 mg	\$71.83	\$64.96	-9.56%
Infliximab biosimilar (INFLECTRA®)	Q5103	10 mg	\$54.34	\$51.32	-5.55%
Infliximab biosimilar (RENFLEXIS®)	Q5104	10 mg	\$59.27	\$54.65	-7.80%

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Methylprednisolone Acetate Injection	J2920	40 mg	\$4.46	\$4.49	0.57%
Methylprednisolone Acetate Injection	J2930	125 mg	\$6.36	\$6.17	-3.02%
Nushield 1 square cm (NUSHIELD)	Q4160	1 SQ CM	\$ -	\$110.33	
Pamidronate Disodium	J2430	30 mg	\$16.18	\$12.47	-22.94%
Pegloticase (KRYSTEXXA®)	J2507	1 mg	\$2,403.30	\$2,485.24	3.41%
Ramucirumab (CYRAMZA®)	J9308	5 mg	\$57.68	\$58.39	1.24%
Rituximab (RITUXAN®)	J9312	100 mg	\$95.20	\$94.97	-0.24%
Sodium Hyaluronate (HYALGAN®/ SUPARTZ®)	J7321	per dose	\$83.64	\$74.85	-10.51%
Tildrakizumab (ILUMYA)	J7340	1 mg		\$218.88	
Tocilizumab (ACTEMRA®)	J3262	1 mg	\$4.93	\$4.93	0.09%
Triamcinolone Acetonide XR Injection (Zilretta)	J3304	1 mg	\$18.88	\$18.88	0.00%
Ustekinumab (STELARA®)	J3357	1 mg	\$180.32	\$190.71	5.77%
Vedolizumab inj (ENTYVIO®)	J3380	1 mg	\$19.74	\$20.13	1.97%
Zoledronic Acid (ZOMETA®/RECLAST®)	J3489	1 mg	\$10.55	\$11.60	9.92%