Claims for Tetanus Vaccinations

Effective Jan. 1, 2016, tetanus vaccine (90703) was deleted by Medicare. Effective for dates of service 1/1/16 and after, providers who have administered a tetanus vaccine for an open wound or laceration should bill 90696, 90697, 90698, 90700, 90702, 90714, 90715 or 90723 in addition to the administration 90471 and/or 90472; with the appropriate diagnosis to indicate open wound or laceration. Please submit the claim to the member’s Medicare Advantage or Medicare Medicaid Plan.

If a tetanus vaccine is administered for a reason other than puncture wound or laceration and the member has pharmacy benefits, please bill their Medicare Part D plan. This applies to the vaccine and the administration charges.

To bill the Medicare Part D plan, you may use TransactRX, a clearinghouse for claims submission. To use TransactRX, please contact the clearinghouse at the web site (http://www.transactrx.com) or call Customer Service at 866-522-3386. Physicians, facilities, health clinics and pharmacies may use this clearinghouse to process Part D claims. There is no charge to providers who use electronic funds deposit to receive payment. There is a service fee of $2.50 for check payments on claims.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services provides more information on Part D vaccines here.