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Richard S. Mink  
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Re: Xcell Cellulose Wound Dressing

Dear Mr. Mink:

The SADMERC and the four Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs) completed the HCPCS Coding Verification Review on November 20, 2002 for the above listed product manufactured by your company. This review resulted in a consensus coding decision.

It is our determination that the Xcell Cellulose Wound Dressing meets the characteristics and description of the HCPCS code for a hydrogel wound cover dressing as defined in the DMERC Medical Policy for Surgical Dressings. Therefore, the correct Medicare billing codes for this product, depending on the size of the dressing, are

**A6242 Hydrogel dressing, wound cover, pad size 16 sq. in. or less, without adhesive border, each dressing.**

**A6243 Hydrogel dressing, wound cover, pad size more than 16 sq. in. but less than or equal to 48 sq. in., without adhesive border, each dressing.**

This HCPCS coding decision applies to your product as it was presented to and reviewed by the SADMERC and four DMERCs. Any modifications to this product could change the HCPCS code and would need to be reviewed for coding verification. The assignment of a HCPCS code to this product should in no way be construed as an approval or endorsement of this product by SADMERC or Medicare, nor does it imply or guarantee claim reimbursement or coverage. For questions regarding claim coverage or reimbursement please contact your regional DMERC.

If you have any questions regarding this coding decision, please contact me at the address below or by telephone at (803) 763-8215.

Sincerely,

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cc: DMERCs

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