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## Reminder for Providers Submitting Physician-Administered Drug Claims: Enter Only National Drug Code Quantity in NDC Quantity Field

Providers submitting physician-administered drug (PAD) claims may be receiving denials for “plan limitations exceeded” if the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) quantity or other amounts are entered in the National Drug Code (NDC) quantity field.

To resolve this issue, providers are reminded to enter only the NDC quantity in the NDC quantity field of the claim.

The following instructions are included in the “Calculating NDC Quantity” section of the [National Drug Code \(NDC\) Billing Reference](#), which can be found on the [Provider’s NDC webpage](#).

If a drug’s HCPCS quantity is provided, it must be converted to NDC quantity before entering it on the claim. Below are two examples of how to calculate the NDC quantity of commonly administered drugs. Additional examples are included in the billing reference.

NDC quantity is expressed in metric units. For certain drugs, you may enter a partial unit using up to three decimal places (e.g., 0.625).

Form	EA	GM	ML	Examples
Injectable Liquid (e.g., Solution/Liquid/Suspension)			✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 30mg of adenoscan 3mg/ml is NDC quantity 10</li><li>- One 1ml injection of Depo-Provera 150mg/ml is NDC quantity 1</li><li>- One 1ml injection of Cyanocobalamin 1000mcg/ml is NDC quantity 1</li><li>- Two 1.5ml injections of Lidocaine 1% are NDC quantity 3</li><li>- 120mg of Paclitaxel (6mg/ml) in an infusion is NDC quantity 20</li></ul>
Injectable Solution or Suspension for Reconstitution (powder for injection)	✓			<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- One cefazolin (powder for injection) 1gm vial is NDC quantity 1</li><li>- Two ceftriaxone (powder for injection) 500mg vials are NDC quantity 2</li><li>- 30 units of Bleomycin (powder for injection) (15 units per vial) are NDC quantity 2</li></ul>