

For dates of service on or after January 1, 2017, medications ordered from the CVS Specialty Pharmacy and administered in the office for Medicare Advantage plan members will no longer be billed to the member's Part B benefit – If the drug is on the Medicare Part D formulary and you continue to obtain it through CVS Specialty Pharmacy it will follow the utilization management requirements identified on the Medicare Part D formulary. Under the Part D benefit, the amount the member pays for the drug will change and drug cost will count toward the coverage gap. Please keep in mind that the amount the member pays for the medication may be more when billed under the Part D benefit.

Examples of drugs being obtained from CVS Specialty under the Part B benefit are Prolia, Eylea, Xolair, Lucentis, and intravenous chemotherapy agents.

Hyaluronic acid derivatives such as Synvisc, Synvisc-One, Euflexxa, Gel-One, Orthovisc, and Hyalgan are not covered by Medicare Part D and therefore will no longer be available through the CVS Specialty Pharmacy for Medicare members. Hyaluronic acid derivatives must be obtained through another avenue and billed via a medical claim.

Botox, Dysport, or Xeomin should no longer be obtained from CVS Specialty Pharmacy and should be billed via a medical claim.

If you have any questions with respect to this notice, please contact your Professional Relations Representative.

