

Pharmacy Benefit Determination Policy

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**Policy Statement:**

Physicians Health Plan, PHP Insurance & Service Company, and Sparrow PHP will support dose rounding through the Medical or Pharmacy Benefit based on approval by the Clinical Pharmacist or Medical Director using the following determination guidelines

**Drugs and Applicable Coding:**

NA

**Clinical Determination Guidelines:**


- I. Dose rounding
  - A. Medication requests may be automatically rounded up or down by 10% in order to fit the nearest manufacturers strength of the requested medication for patients weighing > 10 Kg.
  - B. Medications with rounding otherwise specified per PHP Benefit determination policies.
- II. Wastage
  - A. Indication: Drug or biological in only a single-use vial or single-use package that remains after rounding (if applicable) & administering a dose/quantity of the drug.
  - B. Prior authorization (PA) unit calculation: Separately identify wastage/dose as well as duration of the PA
  - C. Billing: Bill the wastage separately using the JW modifier
  - D. Exclusions:
    1. Overfill wastage: Drug > the amount identified on the package or label
    2. Dose administered is < HCPCS billing unit
    3. Drugs available in single-use as well as multi-use vials (e.g. Herceptin)

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**References and Resources:**

1. Dose rounding Policy (Medication and IV Therapy): Sparrow Health System Policy - effective 2/20/18
2. Dose Rounding of Biological and Cytotoxic Anticancer Agents: A position Statement of the Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association 2017
3. Dose Rounding Monoclonals Yields Windfall. Pharmacy Practice News February 7, 2017
4. JW Modifier: Drug/biological amount discarded/not administered to any patient – frequently asked questions. Medicare Program Center for Medicare and Medicaid services. August 26, 2016 accessed June 2018

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