



# NETWORK *Notification*

**Notice Date:** August 23, 2024  
**To:** Georgia Marketplace Providers  
**From:** CareSource  
**Subject:** Single Dose Vial-Claims Modifiers  
**Effective Date:** July 1, 2023

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## Summary

This notification provides guidance for claims billing documentation and reimbursement of [single dose injectable vials](#). The use of modifiers JW and JZ is required to bill correctly for a single-dose vial drug. All claims for separately payable single dose format injectable drugs must include either a JW Modifier or a JZ Modifier after July 1, 2023, to be reimbursed.

## Impact

The JW modifier is required to be reported on a claim to report the amount of drug that is discarded and eligible for payment and should be used only for claims that bill single-dose container drugs. The discarded portion of single use or single dose vials must be identified with the JW Modifier as a separate line item from the dose or administered portion. Providers may be reimbursed for the discarded portions of drugs and biologicals in single-dose vials (otherwise known as drug waste) only when appropriately reported based on the policy reimbursement guidelines.

As of July 1, 2023, providers and supplies are required to report the JZ Modifier on all claims that bill for drugs from single-dose containers when there are no discarded amounts. The JZ Modifier is reported on a claim to attest that no amount of drug was discarded and should only be used for claims that bill for single-dose container drugs. Claims containing drugs administered from multi-dose vials are not subject to this requirement.

Modifier JW should be billed on the detail line that denotes the discarded portion of the drug or biological. The amount administered to the patient should be billed on a separate detail line without Modifier JW. Both details are reimbursable.

CareSource will consider reimbursement for:

- A single-dose or single-use vial drug that is wasted, when Modifier JW is appended.
- The wasted amount when billed with the amount of the drug that was administered to the member.
- The wasted amount billed that is not administered to another patient.

CareSource will NOT consider reimbursement for:

- The wasted amount of a multi-dose vial drug.
- Any drug wasted that is billed when none of the drug was administered to the patient.
- Any drug wasted that is billed without using the most appropriate size vial, or combination of vials, to deliver the administered dose.

**NOTE:** The JZ Modifier is required when there are no discarded amounts of a single-dose container drug for which the JW Modifier would be required if there were discarded amounts.

The JZ Modifier is required to attest there were no discarded amounts, and no JW Modifier amount is reported.

<b>MODIFIER</b>	<b>SHORT DESCRIPTOR</b>	<b>LONG DESCRIPTOR</b>
JW	Discarded portion of drug not administered	Drug amount discarded/not administered to any patient
JZ	All drug administered – none discarded	Zero drug amount discarded/not administered to any patient

**Questions?**

Please contact Provider Services at **1-833-230-2101**, available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) with any questions.

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