

Coding Adjustment for

Wound Care Supplies with Medical Honey

Many Advanced Tissue referring clinicians have used honey products for patients who need autolytic debridement. Recently the DME MAC Medical Director Workgroup reviewed the clinical literature and determined there is insufficient evidence to justify the conclusion that medical honey should be considered as a separate, covered component in surgical dressings. Therefore, due to this information, a classification adjustment has been made by Medicare Pricing, Data Analysis and Coding (PDAC) that honey-based dressings no longer meet coding requirements. Because PDAC is the coding standard for the industry, this change impacts all insurance plans including Medicare beneficiaries.

Advanced Tissue has a number of advanced wound care products that a clinician can use in place of honey products. For a complete product listing of the 700+ advanced wound care products available at Advanced Tissue, please contact us by calling 866-217-9900.

Advanced Tissue will continue to monitor this changing situation and will update customers as we receive additional information.