2018 coding and Medicare payment for application of Collagenase SANTYL® Ointment (250 units/g) in hospital-based outpatient wound care departments that bill under the Medicare Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (HOPPS)

**CPT® code**
There is one relevant CPT code for the debridement with enzymatic debridement agents such as SANTYL Ointment:

97602 *Removal of devitalized tissue from wound(s), non-selective debridement, without anesthesia (e.g., wet-to-moist dressings, enzymatic, abrasion, larval therapy), including topical application(s), wound assessment, and instruction(s) for ongoing care, per session*

**NOTE:** Under Medicare, this code is only separately payable to hospital-based outpatient wound care departments that bill under the Medicare Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (HOPPS).

**NOTE:** This code is only payable when it is the only method of debridement performed for a specific wound during a hospital-based outpatient wound care department visit.

**HCPCS code**
For tracking purposes, SANTYL Ointment, may be reported under HCPCS code:

J3590 *unclassified biologics*
Under Medicare payment rules, no separate payment will be made for SANTYL Ointment.

**Revenue code**
Following is the revenue code typically used to report the 97602 service:

051X *Clinic*

The most commonly accepted revenue code for J3590 is expected to be:

0636 *Drugs/biologics requiring detailed coding*

Many Medicare contractors require providers to include the name of the product on the claim form.
Medicare payment

Below is an overview of the 2018 Medicare nationally unadjusted average payment rate for CPT® code 97602. The Medicare payment rate for the CPT code is effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.

NOTE: Under Medicare, 97602 is only separately payable to hospital-based outpatient wound care departments that bill under the Medicare hospital outpatient prospective payment system (HOPPS) called the ambulatory payment classification (APC) system.

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Medicare payment rate* for application of Collagenase SANTYL® Ointment, when covered by the Medicare Administrative Contractor

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* Payments are nationally unadjusted average amounts, and do not account for differences in payment due to geographic variation.

¹ These rates do not account for the impact of the sequester.

² Packaged APC payment if billed on the same date of service as a HCPCS code assigned status indicator “S”, “T”, or “V”.

In other circumstances, payment is made through a separate APC payment.

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