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## **Corifact (Factor XIII)**

This is a reminder that this clotting factor product is packaged as a single use vial, containing 1000 to 1600 IU of active Factor XIII. Each lot of drug is bio-assayed for concentration and each vial is then appropriately labeled with the assayed concentration.

CCS counties should be authorizing pharmacy SARs based on available 'whole' vial and not by the client's dose. For example:

CCS client requires 1825 IU of Factor XIII every 4 weeks. Pharmacy has Corifact, 1500 IU per vial in stock. SAR should be approved for  $2 \times 1500 = 3000$  IU and not for 1825 IU.

Single use vials may require some drug wastage as unused portions of a vial are discarded.

Medi-Cal Program advises:

Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2011, Factor XIII Concentrate (Corifact) is a Medi-Cal benefit. The blood factor is billed by Non-Pharmacists with HCPCS code J3590 (unclassified biologics), requires a Treatment Authorization Request (TAR) and is reimbursable only for the routine prophylactic treatment of Congenital Factor XIII Deficiency, a rare genetic disorder that could cause life-threatening bleeding.

For TAR and claim completion instructions for billing code J3590 see "Unlisted Injections: HCPCS Codes Billed "By Report" in the Injections: An Overview section of the Medi-Cal provider manual. Claim completion instructions include the following:

- Copy of drug invoice attached for pricing
- Inclusion of national drug code (NDC) 63833-0518-02
- Documentation of medical necessity
- Drug name, dosage, strength and unit price of the medication

Pharmacies must bill using the National Drug Code (NDC) via a pharmacy claim form. Attachments are not required.

Reimbursement is based on the lesser of the manufacturer's reported Average Sales Price (ASP), which is updated quarterly, plus 20 percent or the provider's usual and customary charges.

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