



Administrator

Washington, DC 20201

June 29, 2023

The Honorable James Comer
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Comer:

Thank you for your letter regarding reconsideration of Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes associated with breast reconstruction procedures. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) share your interest in supporting beneficiaries' access to the care they need, and we appreciate hearing from you on this important issue.

CMS is currently re-evaluating the decision made on February 16, 2022, regarding procedure codes for breast reconstruction surgery. This topic was discussed at CMS's biannual HCPCS public meeting on June 1, 2023. CMS sought comment during the public meeting from interested parties and received an overwhelming response from physicians and patients about retaining these codes. CMS is considering written comments and the feedback received during the public meeting before issuing a final decision on this matter in the near future.

I appreciate your interest in this important issue. If you have any additional questions, please contact the CMS Office of Legislation. I also will provide this response to the co-signers of your letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chiquita Brooks-LaSure".

Chiquita Brooks-LaSure