

MEDICARE

Part A Intermediary Part B Carrier DME Regional Carrier

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Kenneth Fu, General Manager Karman Healthcare Inc. 12267 Barringer Street South El Monte, CA 91733

Re: Wheeled Folding Walker Series Aluminum, Folding Walker (Models W-01-W3, W-01-W3-J,

W-01-W5, W-01-W5-J)

Dear Mr. Fu:

This letter is in response to your recent inquiry for coding verification of the Wheeled Folding Walker Series Aluminum, Folding Walker (Models W-01-W3, W-01-W3-J, W-01-W5, W-01-W5-J). The Statistical Analysis Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier (SADMERC) has reviewed the documentation and information submitted for HCPCS Coding.

It is our determination that the Medicare HCPCS code to bill the four Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs) is

E0143 Folding walker, wheeled, without seat.

The SADMERC conducts reviews of products to determine the correct HCPCS code of DMEPOS product(s) for Medicare billing. The assignment of a HCPCS code to the product should in no way be construed as an approval or endorsement of the product by SADMERC or Medicare, nor does it imply or guarantee claim reimbursement or coverage. Please address questions regarding claim coverage and reimbursement to your regional DMERC.

Should you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact me at the address below or by telephone at (803) 763-8215.

Sincerely,

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