CMS Issues Guidelines Clarifying Expiration Date for Multi-Dose Eye Drops



On June 3, 2022, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released new guidelines, clarifying that the 28-day discard policy relating to injected drugs does not apply to multi-dose eye drops. This move thus allows the multi-dose eye drops to be used for a longer period of time as compared to other multi-dose injected drugs that have been opened or accessed (for example, needle punctures). The guidelines heeded the request from the Academy of Ophthalmology, in coordination with the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery (ASCRS), the American Glaucoma Society (AGS) and the Outpatient Ophthalmic Surgery Society (OOSS), to reduce tropical drug waste.

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