

Carboplatin (Paraplatin / generic) — HCPCS J9045

CARECOST ESTIMATE · BILLING CHEAT SHEET

Multiple generic mfrs (originator: BMS Paraplatin, discontinued) 50/150/450/600 mg single-dose vials (10 mg/mL) IV infusion 15–60 min

Reviewed: May 22, 2026 ASP: Q2 2026

HCPCS J9045 1 unit = 50 mg	AUC 6 / GFR 75 DOSE 12 units 600 mg q21d (Calvert)	MODIFIERS JZ or JW CMS SDV rule; JW if vial waste	ADMIN CPT 96413 15–60 min — no 96415 most claims	MEDICARE ASP+6% \$2.937 /50 mg unit · ~\$35.24/AUC 6
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CALVERT FORMULA — show the math or expect denial: $\text{Dose (mg)} = \text{target AUC} \times (\text{GFR} + 25)$ The #1 J9045 denial is

documentation showing a mg dose without the target AUC and GFR value used. Both must be in the chart and PA packet. Cockcroft-Gault is the most common GFR estimator; cap GFR at 125 mL/min per common institutional policy.

DOSE → UNITS QUICK REFERENCE (AUC 6)

GFR	DOSE (MG)	VIALS DRAWN	JZ UNITS	JW UNITS
50	450	1 × 450	9	—
60	510	1×450 + 1×150	~10	~2
70	570	1 × 600	~11	~1
75	600	1 × 600	12	—
90	690	1×600 + 1×150	~14	~1
100	750	1×600 + 1×150	15	—
125 (cap)	900	1×600 + 2×150	18	—

Whole-unit billing aligned to 50 mg vial increment. Round at pharmacy to 50 mg.

ICD-10 — COMMON INDICATIONS

CODE	FOR
C56.1–C56.9	Ovarian (by laterality) — #1 use
C57.00–C57.02	Fallopian tube (= ovarian regimens)
C48.1	Primary peritoneal (= ovarian regimens)
C34.x + non-sq	NSCLC non-sq — KEYNOTE-189
C34.x + sq	NSCLC sq — KEYNOTE-407
C34.x + M-cell	SCLC — carbo/etoposide ± atezo/durva
C00.x–C14.x	H&N SCC — weekly AUC 2 + RT (cis-inelig)
C54.x / C55	Endometrial — carbo/paclitaxel
C67.x	Bladder — carbo/gem (cis-inelig)
C62.x	Testicular stage I seminoma adjuvant (AUC 7)
D69.59	Drug-induced thrombocytopenia (DLT)
T80.52XA	Anaphylactic reaction (hx) — cycle 7+

CODES & NDC (REPRESENTATIVE GENERICS)

HCPCS	J9045 — "Inj, carboplatin, 50 mg"
HOSPIRA 50 MG	0703-4244-11
HOSPIRA 150 MG	0703-4248-11
HOSPIRA 450 MG	0703-4252-11
HOSPIRA 600 MG	0703-4254-11
ACCORD 450 MG	16729-024-63
FRESENIUS KABI 50 MG	63323-710-50
VIALS	50/150/450/600 mg SDV (10 mg/mL)
ORIGINATOR	BMS Paraplatin — discontinued post-generic

WORKED EXAMPLE — AUC 5 / GFR 53.7 (KEYNOTE-189)

- Calvert: $5 \times (53.7 + 25) = 393.5 \text{ mg}$ → round 400 mg
- Vials drawn: $1 \times 450 \text{ mg} = 450 \text{ mg}$
- Waste: $450 - 400 = 50 \text{ mg}$
- JZ line: $J9045 \times 8 \text{ units} (400 / 50)$
- JW line: $J9045 \times 1 \text{ unit} (50 / 50)$
- Total billed: **9 units** (= vial drawn / 50)
- Admin: $96413 + 2 \times 96417$ (pem, pembro)
- Drug paid Q2 2026: **~\$26.43** ($9 \times \2.937)

COMBINATION REGIMENS

REGIMEN	AUC	CYCLE	INDICATION
Carbo/paclitaxel	6	q21d	1L ovarian, NSCLC, endometrial
Carbo/pem/pembro (KN-189)	5	q21d	1L non-sq metastatic NSCLC
Carbo/pac/pembro (KN-407)	6	q21d	1L squamous metastatic NSCLC
Carbo/etoposide	5-6	q21d	SCLC backbone
Carbo/etop + atezo (IMpower133)	5	q21d	1L ES-SCLC
Carbo/gemcitabine	4	q21d	Pt-sens recur ovarian; cis-inelig bladder
Weekly carbo + RT	2	weekly	H&N SCC (cis-inelig)

Combo agents bill [96417](#) (each addl sequential).

ADMINISTRATION & MODIFIERS

CODE	WHEN
96413	Chemo IV up to 1 hr (carbo standard, always primary)
96415	Each addl hour — rarely needed (carbo <= 60 min)
96417	Each addl sequential (paclitaxel, pemetrexed, pembro, etoposide)
JZ	Required when no waste (vial = dose) or on admin line if JW also billed
JW	Required for vial waste; separate claim line
JG/TB	340B drugs per MAC policy

One of JZ or JW required per CMS July 2023 SDV policy. JZ+JW must reconcile to vials drawn / 50.

PLATINUM CLASS COMPARISON

DRUG	HCPCS	UNITS	USE	TOXICITY
Carboplatin	J9045	50 mg	Ovarian, NSCLC, SCLC, H&N	Myelosuppression (thrombocytopenia)
Cisplatin	J9060	1 mg	Testicular, bladder, H&N	Nephrotoxicity
Oxaliplatin	J9263	0.5 mg	GI (CRC, panc, gastric)	Neuropathy + anaphylaxis (boxed)

Not interchangeable — substitution is regimen-defining.

TOP DENIALS

- **AUC not documented** — #1 cause. Add explicit Calvert calc to chart and PA.
- **GFR not shown** — add Cockcroft-Gault; note any GFR cap (typ. 125).
- **Wrong CPT (96365)** — carbo is chemo → use [96413](#).
- **96415 added reflexively** — drop unless documented >60 min.
- **JZ-only on dose mismatched to vial** — add JW waste line.
- **NDC mismatch** — pull NDC from actual lot at admin.
- **Combo biologic PA missing** — submit PA per agent (pembro, bev, atezo).

PATIENT ASSISTANCE

- **CancerCare Co-Pay:** 1-866-552-6729 · cancercapecopay.org
- **PAN Foundation:** 1-866-316-7263 · panfoundation.org
- **HealthWell:** 1-800-675-8416 · healthwellfoundation.org
- **PAF Co-Pay Relief:** 1-866-512-3861 · copays.org
- **NeedyMeds** aggregator: needymeds.org
- **No single mfr PAP** — BMS Paraplatin program ended post-generic.

Pending SME review. Treat as draft; verify each cited source for high-stakes claims.