

**New Codes For:**  
**Manual SwingAway, Retractable or Removable Hardware**  
Effective April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025



Medicare has announced several new codes for Manual Swingaway, Retractable or Removable Hardware. The following are some easy tips and information to assist with any questions. You will then find a page per code that will show you some examples of products that fall under each code.

- Codes go into effect on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, Date of Service
- Medicare took the E1028 code and divided them into 4 codes, 3 are new: E1032, E1033, E1034
- The new codes fall under the Capped Rental category, just like E1028
- If you already billed code E1028 for a rental item for a specific patient, continue to bill code E1028 for the remainder of the rental period, do not change the code.
- The allowables for the new codes are the same as code E1028
- The units to be billed are based on “each”; 1 pair = 2 units to be billed
- When you bill the hardware codes, there needs to be the main item (i.e. joystick or drive control, headrest, or lateral) on the same claim or one in the past if it is a replacement/new part for an existing system.
- At this time, we can assume that the coverage policy is the same as it is for code E1028. Per the Medicare policy, *“one example (not all-inclusive) of a covered indication for swingaway, retractable, or removable hardware (E1028) would be to move the component out of the way so that a beneficiary can perform a slide transfer to a chair or bed.”*
- Medicare policy also states that *“swingaway, retractable, or removable hardware (E1028) is non-covered if the primary indication for its use is to allow the beneficiary to move close to desks or other surfaces. If it is ordered for this indication, a GY modifier must be added to the code.”*
- The use of code E1028 should not be very common. However, it may be used for swingaway, removable, or retractable hardware for a medial thigh support. It may also be used for a single switch that is not a drive control like some pictured under code E1032. The definition of the code has changed to read: *Wheelchair accessory, manual swingaway, retractable or removable mounting hardware, **Other***
- At this time, there are no published MUEs. For now, they should tie to the number of approved pads/items that will be mounted on the hardware.

**E1028:** Wheelchair accessory, manual swingaway, retractable or removable mounting hardware, **Other**

***Tips:***

- *If an E0957 is billed and they are not using fixed hardware, then E1028 could be used. At times, you may also have code E0953 when billing for a knee support.*
- *Bill units as “each”; 1 pair = 2 units to be billed*



*Flip-down/Swing-away hardware for medial thigh support*



*Adjustable/Removable Switch Mounting Arm*

**E1032:** Wheelchair accessory, manual swingaway, retractable or removable mounting hardware **used with joystick or other drive control interface**

***Tips:***

- *Code E1032 will be billed for your drive controls on a PWC base just as the E1028 was in the past.*
- *Bill units as “each”; 1 pair = 2 units to be billed*



*Swing-away hardware for joystick*



*Adjustable/Removable Switch Mounting Arm*



*Lateral Swing-Away Adapter compatible with certain Swing-Away hardware. This swing-away hardware can be used to mount switches on side head array pads.*



*Swing-Away switch mounting hardware for egg or Swing-microlite switch is a mounting system for a mechanical switch that may be used as a drive control.*

**E1033:** Wheelchair accessory, manual swingaway, retractable or removable mounting hardware **for headrest, cushioned any type**

**Tips:**

- If an E0955 is billed and they are not using fixed hardware, then E1033 could be used.
- Bill units as “each”; 1 pair = 2 units to be billed



*Various hardware for headrests which includes Removable, retractable, and adjustable*



*Flip down, removable and adjustable hardware*



*Removable and adjustable hardware*



*Flip down and removable hardware*

**E1034:** Wheelchair accessory, manual swingaway, retractable or removable mounting hardware **for lateral trunk or hip support, any type**

***Tips:***

- *If an E0956 is billed and they are not using fixed hardware, then E1028 could be used. At times, you may also have code E0953 when billing for a pelvic/thigh support – name varies by manufacturer, but pay attention to the use of the device ordered.*
- *Bill units as “each”; 1 pair = 2 units to be billed*



*Swingaway and adjustable hardware for laterals*



*Push button on swingaway hardware on laterals*



*Removable, retractable, and adjustable hardware for hip supports*