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CIRCULAR 6 OF 2015: Erratum on the Entry and verification criteria for the identification of beneficiaries with risk factors

The Council for Medical Schemes (CMS) has published Version 9.1 of the guidelines for identifying medical scheme beneficiaries with risk factors in accordance with the entry and verification criteria (E&V Criteria).

The published guideline include the following change:

- The note on the Rheumatoid Arthritis table i.e. *"Where a patient is not using disease modifying anti-rheumatic medicines, the diagnosis must be verified by a specialist physician or rheumatologist"* has been updated to state *"Where a patient is using disease modifying anti-rheumatic medicines, the diagnosis must be verified by a specialist physician or rheumatologist"*

After feedback from stakeholders in the industry it was decided to delete the above mentioned change and apply the original wording.

The note on the Rheumatoid Arthritis table therefore reads. *"Where a patient is not using disease modifying anti-rheumatic medicines, the diagnosis must be verified by a specialist physician or rheumatologist"*

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