

## **Health and Recovery Services Administration (HRSA)**



# **Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment (DME), and Supplies Billing Instructions**

**[Chapter 388-543 WAC]**

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# Important Contacts

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A provider may use HRSA's toll-free lines for questions regarding its programs; however, HRSA's response is based solely on the information provided to the [HRSA] representative at the time of the call or inquiry, and in no way exempts a provider from following the rules and regulations that govern HRSA's programs. [WAC 388-502-0020(2)].

## How can I use the Internet to...

### Find information on becoming a DSHS provider?

Visit Provider Enrollment at <http://maa.dshs.wa.gov/provrel/>  
Click *Sign up to be a DSHS WA state Medicaid provider* and follow the on-screen instructions to find information on becoming a DSHS provider; or

### Ask questions about the status of my provider application?

Visit Provider Enrollment at <http://maa.dshs.wa.gov/provrel/>

- Click *Sign up to be a DSHS WA state Medicaid provider*.
- Click *I want to sign up as a DSHS Washington State Medicaid provider*.
- Click *What happens once I return my application?* (on the left side of the screen).

### Submit a change of address or ownership?

Visit Provider Enrollment at <http://maa.dshs.wa.gov/provrel/>  
Click *I'm already a current Provider* to submit a change of address or ownership.

### If I don't have access to the Internet, how do I find information on becoming a DSHS provider, ask questions about the status of my provider application, or submit a change of address or ownership?

Call Provider Enrollment at:  
800.562.3022 (toll free)

or write to:  
Provider Enrollment  
PO Box 45562  
Olympia, WA 98504-5562

## Where do I send my claims?

**Hard Copy Claims:**  
Division of Medical Benefits and Care Management  
PO Box 9248  
Olympia, WA 98507-9248

## How do I obtain copies of billing instructions or numbered memoranda?

To view an electronic copy, visit HRSA on the web at <http://maa.dshs.wa.gov> (click *Billing Instructions/Numbered Memoranda*)

**How do I request prior authorization and a limitation extension?**

All authorization issues, questions or comments should be addressed to:

**Write/Call:**

Division of Medical Benefits and Care Management  
Durable Medical Equipment  
PO Box 45506  
Olympia, WA 98504-5506  
800.292.8064  
360.586.5299 Fax

**How can I request that equipment/supplies be added to the "covered" list in these billing instructions?**

**Write/Call:**

Division of Medical Benefits and Care Management  
DME Program Management Unit  
PO Box 45506  
Olympia, WA 98504-5506  
800.292.8064  
360.586.5299 Fax

**Who do I contact about the actual reimbursement rate listed in the fee schedule?**

DME - Program Manager  
Professional Reimbursement  
PO Box 45510  
Olympia, WA 98504-5510  
360.753.9152 (fax)

**Where can I view and download rates?**

Visit  
<http://maa.dshs.wa.gov/RBRVS/Index.htm>

**Who do I contact if I have questions regarding...**

**Payments, denials, general questions regarding claims processing, HRSA managed care organizations?**

Visit the Customer Service Center for Providers on the web at:  
<http://maa.dshs.wa.gov/provrel/> (click *I'm already a current provider*)

**or call/fax:**

800.562.3022 (toll free)  
360.725.2144 (fax)

**or write to:**

HRSA Customer Service Center  
PO Box 45562  
Olympia, WA 98504-5562

**Private insurance or third party liability, other than HRSA managed care organizations?**

Division of Eligibility and Service Delivery  
Coordination of Benefits Section  
PO Box 45565  
Olympia, WA 98504-5565  
800.562.6136 (toll free)

**Assistance with Electronic Billing?**

HRSA/HIPAA E-Help Desk  
Toll free: 800.562.3022 (Choose option #2, then option #4) or e-mail:  
[hipaae-help@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:hipaae-help@dshs.wa.gov)

ACS EDI Gateway, Inc.  
Toll free : 800.833.2051 or  
<http://www.acs-gcro.com/>

**How do I find out about Internet Billing  
(Electronic Claims Submission)?**

**WinASAP and WAMedWeb**

<http://www.acs-gcro.com/>

Select *Medicaid*, then *Washington State*

**All other HIPAA transactions**

<https://wamedweb.acs-inc.com/>

**To use HIPAA Transactions and/or  
WinASAP 2003 enroll with ACS EDI  
Gateway by visiting ACS on the web**

**at:** [http://www.acs-gcro.com/Medicaid\\_Accounts/Washington\\_State\\_Medicaid/washington\\_state\\_medicaid.htm](http://www.acs-gcro.com/Medicaid_Accounts/Washington_State_Medicaid/washington_state_medicaid.htm)  
(click on “Enrollment”)

**Or by calling:** 800.833.2051.

Once the provider completes the EDI Provider Enrollment form and faxes or mails it to ACS, ACS will send the provider the web link and the information needed to access the web site. If the provider is already enrolled, but for some reason cannot access the WAMedWeb, then the provider should call ACS at 800. 833.2051.

**How do I use the WAMedWeb to check  
on a client’s eligibility status?**

If you would like to check client eligibility for free, call ACS at 800.833.2051 or HRSA at 800.562.3022 (option #2)

You may also access the WAMedWeb tutorial at  
<http://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/maa/WaMedWebTutor/>



# Definitions & Acronyms

This section defines terms, abbreviations, and acronyms used in this billing instruction.

**Augmentative Communication Device (ACD)** – See "speech generating device (SGD)." [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Base Year** – The year of the data source used in calculating prices. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**By Report (BR)** – A method of reimbursement for covered items, procedures, and services for which the department has no set maximum allowable fees.  
[WAC 388-543-1000]

**Client** - An individual who has been determined eligible to receive medical or health care services under any HRSA program.

**Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)** - Rules adopted by the federal government.

**Community Services Office (CSO)** - An office of the department's economic services administration that administers social and health services at the community level

**Core Provider Agreement** - The basic contract between HRSA and an entity providing services to eligible clients. The core provider agreement outlines and defines terms of participation in medical assistance programs.

**Date of Delivery** – The date the client actually took physical possession of an item or equipment. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Department** - The state Department of Social and Health Services [DSHS].

**Disposable Supplies** – Supplies that may be used once, or more than once, but are time limited. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Durable Medical Equipment (DME)** – Equipment that:

- Can withstand repeated use;
- Is primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose;
- Generally is not useful to a person in the absence of illness or injury; and
- Is appropriate for use in the client's place of residence.

[WAC 388-543-1000]

**Expedited Prior Authorization** – The process for obtaining authorization for selected durable medical equipment, and related supplies, prosthetics, orthotics, medical supplies and related services, in which providers use a set of numeric codes to indicate to HRSA which acceptable indications/conditions/HRSA-defined criteria are applicable to a particular request for DME authorization. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Explanation of Benefits (EOB)** - A coded message on the Medical Assistance Remittance and Status Report that gives detailed information about the claim associated with that report.

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### **Explanation of Medicare Benefits (EOMB)**

– A federal report generated for Medicare providers displaying transaction information regarding Medicare claims processing and payments.

**Fee-for-Service** – The general payment method HRSA uses to reimburse for covered medical services provided to clients, except those services covered under HRSA’s prepaid managed care programs. [WAC 388-543-1000]

### **Health and Recovery Services**

**Administration (HRSA)** - The administration within DSHS authorized by the secretary to administer the acute care portion of the Title XIX Medicaid, Title XXI Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and the state-funded medical care programs, with the exception of certain non-medical services for persons with chronic disabilities.

### **Health Care Financing Administration Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)**

– A coding system established by the Health Care Financing Administration to define services and procedures. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Healthy Options** – The name of the Washington State, Health and Recovery Services Administration’s managed care program.

**House Wheelchair** – A nursing facility wheelchair that is included in the nursing facility’s per-patient-day rate under chapter 74.46 RCW. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Limitation Extension** – A process for requesting and approving covered services and reimbursement that exceeds a coverage limitation (quantity, frequency, or duration) set in WAC, billing instructions, or numbered memoranda. Limitation extensions require prior authorization. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Managed Care** - A comprehensive system of coordinated medical and health care delivery including preventive, primary, specialty, and ancillary health services. [WAC 388-538-050]

**Manual Wheelchair** – See “Wheelchair – Manual.” [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Maximum Allowable** - The maximum dollar amount HRSA will reimburse a provider for a specific service, supply, or piece of equipment.

**Medicaid** - The state and federally funded Title XIX program under which medical care is provided to persons eligible for the:

- Categorically needy program; or
- Medically needy program.

**Medical Identification card(s)** – The document HRSA uses to identify a client’s eligibility for a medical program.

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**Medically Necessary** - A term for describing [a] requested service which is reasonably calculated to prevent, diagnose, correct, cure, alleviate or prevent worsening of conditions in the client that endanger life, or cause suffering or pain, or result in an illness or infirmity, or threaten to cause or aggravate a handicap, or cause physical deformity or malfunction. There is no other equally effective, more conservative or substantially less costly course of treatment available or suitable for the client requesting the service. For the purpose of this section, "course of treatment" may include mere observation or, where appropriate, no treatment at all. [WAC 388-500-0005]

**Medical Supplies** – Supplies that are:

- Primarily and customarily used to service a medical purpose; and
- Generally not useful to a person in the absence of illness or injury. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Medicare** - The federal government health insurance program for certain aged or disabled clients under Titles II and XVIII of the Social Security Act. Medicare has two parts:

- "Part A" covers the Medicare inpatient hospital, post-hospital skilled nursing facility care, home health services, and hospice care.
- "Part B" is the supplementary medical insurance benefit (SMIB) covering the Medicare doctor's services, outpatient hospital care, outpatient physical therapy and speech pathology services, home health care, and other health services and supplies not covered under Part A of Medicare. [WAC 388-500-0005]

**Nonreusable Supplies** – Supplies that are used only once and then are disposed of. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Other DME** – All durable medical equipment, excluding wheelchairs and related items.

**Orthotic Device or Orthotic** – A corrective or supportive device that:

- Prevents or corrects physical deformity or malfunction; or
- Supports a weak or deformed portion of the body. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Patient Identification Code (PIC)** - An alphanumeric code that is assigned to each HRSA client consisting of:

- First and middle initials (a dash (-) must be entered if the middle initial is not indicated).
- Six-digit birthdate, consisting of numerals only (MMDDYY).
- First five letters of the last name (and spaces if the name is fewer than five letters).
- Alpha or numeric character (tiebreaker).

**Personal or Comfort Item** – An item or service that primarily serves the comfort or convenience of the client. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Personal Computer** – Any of a variety of electronic devices that are capable of accepting data and instructions, executing the instructions to process the data, and presenting the results. A PC has a central processing unit (CPU), internal and external memory storage, and various input/output devices such as a keyboard, display screen, and printer. A computer system consists of hardware (the physical components of the system) and software (the programs used by the computer to carry out its operations). [WAC 388-543-1000]

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**Plan of Care (POC)** – (Also known as “plan of treatment” [POT]) A written plan of care that is established and periodically reviewed and signed by both a physician and a home health agency provider, that describes the home health care to be provided at the client’s residence.  
[WAC 388-551-2010]

**Power-Drive Wheelchair** – See “Wheelchair – Power.”  
[WAC 388-543-1000]

**Prosthetic Device or Prosthetic** – A replacement, corrective, or supportive device prescribed by a physician or other licensed practitioner of the healing arts, within the scope of his or her practice as defined by state law, to:

- Artificially replace a missing portion of the body;
- Prevent or correct physical deformity or malfunction; or
- Support a weak or deformed portion of the body. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Provider** - Any person or organization that has a signed contract or core provider agreement with DSHS to provide services to eligible clients.

**Remittance and status report (RA)** - A report produced by Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS), HRSA's claims processing system, that provides detailed information concerning submitted claims and other financial transactions.

**Resource Based Relative Value Scale (RBRVS)** – A scale that measures the relative value of a medical service or intervention, based on amount of physician resources involved. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Reusable Supplies** – Supplies that are to be used more than once. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Revised Code of Washington (RCW)** - Washington State laws.

**Scooter** – A federally-approved, motor-powered vehicle that:

- Has a seat on a long platform;
- Moves on either three or four wheels;
- Is controlled by a steering handle; and
- Can be independently driven by a client.  
[WAC 388-543-1000]

**Specialty bed** – A pressure reducing support surface, such as foam, air, water, or gel mattress or overlay. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Speech generating device (SGD)** - An electronic device or system that compensates for the loss or impairment of a speech function due to a congenital condition, an acquired disability, or a progressive neurological disease. The term includes only that equipment used for the purpose of communication. Formerly known as "augmentative communication device (ACD)."

**Third Party** - Any entity that is or may be liable to pay all or part of the medical cost of care of a federal Medicaid or state medical program client. [WAC 388-500-0005]

**Three- or Four-wheeled Scooter** – A three- or four-wheeled vehicle meeting the definition of scooter (see “scooter”) and that has the following minimum features:

- Rear drive;
- A twenty-four volt system;
- Electronic or dynamic braking;
- A high to low speed setting; and
- Tires designed for indoor/outdoor use.  
[WAC 388-543-1000]

**Title XIX** - The portion of the federal Social Security Act that authorizes grants to states for medical assistance programs. Title XIX is also called Medicaid.

**Trendelenburg Position** – A position in which the patient is lying on his or her back on a plane inclined thirty to forty degrees. This position makes the pelvis higher than the head, with the knees flexed and the legs and feet hanging down over the edge of the plane. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Usual and Customary Charge** – The amount the provider typically charges to 50% or more of his or her non-Medicaid clients, including clients with other third-party coverage. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Warranty-wheelchair** – A warranty, according to manufacturers' guidelines, of not less than one year from the date of purchase. [WAC 388-543-1000]

**Wheelchair-manual** – A federally-approved, nonmotorized wheelchair that is capable of being independently propelled and fits one of the following categories:

- Standard:
  - ✓ Usually is not capable of being modified;
  - ✓ Accommodates a person weighing up to two hundred fifty pounds; and
  - ✓ Has a warranty period of at least one year.
- Lightweight:
  - ✓ Composed of lightweight materials;
  - ✓ Capable of being modified;
  - ✓ Accommodates a person weighing up to two hundred fifty pounds; and
  - ✓ Usually has a warranty period of at least three years.

- High strength lightweight:
  - ✓ Is usually made of a composite material;
  - ✓ Is capable of being modified;
  - ✓ Accommodates a person weighing up to two hundred fifty pounds;
  - ✓ Has an extended warranty period of over three years; and
  - ✓ Accommodates the very active person.
- Hemi:
  - ✓ Has a seat-to-floor height lower than eighteen inches to enable an adult to propel the wheelchair with one or both feet: and
  - ✓ Is identified by its manufacturer as “Hemi” type with specific model numbers that include the “Hemi” description.
- Pediatric: Has a narrower seat and shorter depth more suited to pediatric patients, usually adaptable to modifications for a growing child.
- Recliner: Has an adjustable, reclining back to facilitate weight shifts and provide support to the upper body and head.
- Tilt-in-space: Has a positioning system, that allows both the seat and back to tilt to a specified angle to reduce shear or allow for unassisted pressure releases.

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- Heavy Duty:
  - ✓ Specifically manufactured to support a person weighing up to three hundred pounds; or
  - ✓ Accommodating a seat width of up to twenty-two inches wide (not to be confused with custom manufactured wheelchairs).
- Rigid: Is of ultra-lightweight material with a rigid (nonfolding) frame.
- Custom Heavy Duty:
  - ✓ Specifically manufactured to support a person weighing over three hundred pounds; or
  - ✓ Accommodates a seat width of over twenty-two inches wide (not to be confused with custom manufactured wheelchairs).
- Custom Manufactured Specially Built:
  - ✓ Ordered for a specific client from custom measurements; and
  - ✓ Is assembled primarily at the manufacturer's factory.

[WAC 388-543-1000]

**Wheelchair–power** – A federally-approved, motorized wheelchair that can be independently driven by a client and fits one of the following categories:

- Custom power adaptable to:
  - ✓ Alternative driving controls; and
  - ✓ Power recline and tilt-in-space systems.
- Noncustom power: Does not need special positioning or controls and has a standard frame.
- Pediatric: Has a narrower seat and shorter depth that is more suited to pediatric patients. Pediatric wheelchairs are usually adaptable to modifications for a growing child.

[WAC 388-543-1000]

**Washington Administrative Code (WAC)** - Codified rules of the state of Washington.

# About the Program

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## **What is the purpose of the Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment (DME), and Supplies Program?**

[Refer to WAC 388-543-1100]

The Health and Recovery Services Administration's (HRSA) Wheelchair Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Program makes accessible to eligible HRSA clients the purchase and/or rental of medically necessary DME equipment and supplies when they are not included in other reimbursement methodologies (e.g., inpatient hospital DRG, nursing facility daily rate, HMO, or managed health care programs). The federal government deems DME and related supplies as optional services under the Medicaid program, except when:

- Prescribed as an integral part of an approved plan of treatment under the home health program; or
- Required under the early and periodic screening, diagnosis and treatment (EPSDT)/Healthy Kids program.

HRSA may reduce or eliminate coverage for optional services, consistent with legislative appropriations.

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# Client Eligibility

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## Who is eligible? [Refer to Chapter 388-529 WAC]

Clients presenting Medical Identification Cards with the following identifiers\* **are eligible** for wheelchairs, durable medical equipment (DME), and supplies:

Medical Program Identifier	Medical Program
<b>CNP</b>	Categorically Needy Program
<b>CNP - CHIP</b>	Categorically Needy Program - Children's Health Insurance Program
<b>GA-U No Out of State Care</b>	General Assistance - Unemployable
<b>LCP - MNP</b>	Limited Casualty Program-Medically Needy Program
<b>MNP - QMB</b>	Medically Needy Program-Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries – These clients are dual eligible (Medicare/Medicaid)

**\*Note:** To provide clarification as a result of significant inquiries, clients presenting Medical Identification cards with the following identifier **are not eligible** for MSE:

**QMB-Medicare Only** (Qualified Medicare Beneficiary-Medicare Only).

## Are clients enrolled in managed care eligible?

[Refer to WAC 388-538-060 and 095]

**YES!** Clients with an identifier in the HMO column on their Medical Identification card are enrolled in one of HRSA's managed care plans. All services must be requested directly through the client's Primary Care Provider (PCP). Clients can contact their plan by calling the telephone number located on their Medical Identification card.

All medical services covered under a managed health care plan must be obtained by the client through designated facilities or providers. The managed care plan is responsible for:

- Payment of covered services; and
- Payment of services referred by a provider participating with the plan to an outside provider.

To prevent billing denials, please check the client's Medical Identification card **prior** to scheduling services and at the **time of service** to make sure proper authorization or referral is obtained from the PCP and/or plan.

HRSA does not cover medical equipment and/or services provided to a client who is enrolled in a HRSA-contracted managed care plan, but did not use one of the plan's participating provider. (WAC 388-543-1400 [9])

## Are clients enrolled in Primary Care Case Management (PCCM) eligible?

**Yes!** For the client who has chosen to obtain care with a PCCM provider, the identifier in the HMO column will be "PCCM." These clients must obtain or be referred for services via the PCCM provider. The PCCM provider is responsible for coordination of care just like the PCP would be in a plan setting. Please refer to the client's Medical ID Card for the PCCM provider. (See the *Billing* section for further information.)

**Note:** To prevent billing denials, please check the client's Medical Identification card **prior** to scheduling services and at the **time of the service** and make sure proper authorization or referral is obtained from the PCCM provider.

# Coverage

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## What is covered? [Refer to WAC 388-543-1100]

DSHS covers the following subject to the provisions of this billing instruction:

- Wheelchairs and other DME;
- Equipment and supplies prescribed in accordance with an approved plan of treatment under the home health program;
- Orthotic Devices;
- Equipment and supplies for the management of diabetes;
- Replacement batteries (for covered, purchased, medically necessary DME equipment); and
- Bilirubin lights (limited to rentals for at-home newborns with jaundice).

## What are the general conditions of coverage?

DSHS covers the services listed above when all of the following apply. They must be:

- Medically necessary (see Definitions section). The provider or client must submit sufficient objective evidence to establish medical necessity. Information used to establish medical necessity includes, but is not limited to, the following:
  - ✓ A physiological description of the client's disease, injury, impairment, or other ailment, and any changes in the client's condition written by the prescribing physician, licensed prosthetist and/or orthotist, physical therapist, occupational therapist, or speech therapist; or
  - ✓ Video and/or photograph(s) of the client demonstrating the impairments and the client's ability to use the requested equipment, when applicable.
- Within the scope of an eligible client's medical care program (see *Client Eligibility* section);
- Within accepted medical or physical medicine community standards of practice;

# = Not covered by the DME program.  
Ø = Not covered by DSHS.

D = Discontinued.  
N = New

P = Policy change

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- Prior authorized (see *Prior Authorization* section); Prescribed by a physician, advanced registered nurse practitioner (ARNP), or physician assistant certified (PAC). Except for dual eligible Medicare/Medicaid clients when Medicare is the primary payer and DSHS is being billed for co-pay and/or deductible only:

The prescriber must use the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) Prescription Form (DSHS 13-794) to write the prescription. The form is available for download at <http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/msa/forms/eforms.html>. The prescription (DSHS 13-794) must:

- ✓ Be signed and dated by the prescriber;
  - ✓ Be no older than one year from the date the prescriber signs the prescription; and
  - ✓ State the specific item or service requested, diagnosis, estimated length of need (weeks, months, or years), and quantity.
- Billed DSHS as the payer of last resort only. DSHS does not pay first and then collect from Medicare.

**Note:** Effective March 1, 2008 DSHS began enforcing the requirement of the prescription form for all new prescriptions in accordance with WAC 388-543-1100(1).

See the *Wheelchair Fee Schedule* and *Other DME Fee Schedule* sections (I and J) for a complete list of covered medical equipment and related supplies, repairs, and labor charges.

**Note:** The evaluation of a By Report (BR) item, procedure, or service for its medical appropriateness and reimbursement value is on a case-by-case basis.

## What are other specific conditions of coverage?

### Clients Residing in a Nursing Facility

DSHS covers the following for a client in a nursing facility:

The purchase and repair of a speech generating device (SGD) and one of the following:

- A powered or manual wheelchair for the exclusive full-time use of a permanently disabled nursing facility resident when the wheelchair is not included in the nursing facility's per diem rate; or
- A specialty bed or the rental of a specialty bed outside of the skilled nursing facility per diem when:
  - ✓ The specialty bed is intended to help the client heal; and

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- ✓ The client's nutrition and laboratory values are within normal limits.

**Note:** A heavy duty bariatric bed is not considered a specialty bed.

All other DME and supplies identified in this billing instruction are the responsibility of the nursing facility, in accordance with chapters 388-96 and 388-97 WAC.

### Speech Generating Devices (SGD) [WAC 388-543-2200]

- DSHS considers all requests for SGDs on a case-by-case basis.
- The SGD requested must be for a severe expressive speech impairment, and the medical condition must warrant the use of a device to replace verbal communication (e.g., to communicate medical information).
- In order for DSHS to cover an SGD, the SGD must be a speech device intended for use by the individual who has a severe expressive speech impairment and have one of the following characteristics. For the purposes of these billing instructions, DSHS uses the Medicare definitions for "digitized speech" and "synthesized speech" that were in effect as of April 1, 2002. The SGD must have:
  - ✓ Digitized speech output, using pre-recorded messages;
  - ✓ Synthesized speech output requiring message formation by spelling and access by physical contact with the device; or
  - ✓ Synthesized speech output, permitting multiple methods of message formulation and multiple methods of device access.

Providers must submit a prior authorization request for SGDs. The request must be in writing and contain all of the following:

- ✓
  - A detailed description of the client's therapeutic history; including, at a minimum;
    - ✓ The medical diagnosis;
    - ✓ A physiological description of the underlying disorder;
    - ✓ A description of the functional limitations; and
    - ✓ The prognosis for improvement or degeneration.

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- ✓ A written assessment by a licensed speech language pathologist (SLP) that includes all of the following:
  - The client's physical disability, condition, or impairment that requires equipment, such as a wheelchair, or a device to be specially adapted to accommodate an SGD, and an assessment by the prescribing physician, licensed occupational therapist, or physical therapist;
  - Documented evaluations and/or trials of each SGD that the client has tried. This includes less costly types/models, and the effectiveness of each device in promoting the client's ability to communicate with health care providers, caregivers, and others;
  - The current communication impairment, including the type, severity, language skills, cognitive ability, and anticipated course of the impairment;
  - An assessment of whether the client's daily communication needs could be met using other natural modes of communication;
  - A description of the functional communication goals expected to be achieved, and treatment options;
  - Documentation that the client's speaking needs cannot be met using natural communication methods; and
  - Documentation that other forms of treatment have been ruled out.
- ✓ Evidence that the provider has shown or has demonstrated all of the following:
  - The client has reliable and consistent motor response, which can be used to communicate with the help of an SGD;
  - The client has demonstrated the cognitive and physical abilities to utilize the equipment effectively and independently to communicate;
  - The client's treatment plan includes a training schedule for the selected device; and
  - A prescription for the SGD from the client's treating physician.

**Note:** DSHS may require trial-use rental. All rental costs for the trial-use will be applied to the purchase price.

**DSHS covers Speech Generating Devices (SGDs) only once every two years for a client who**

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**meets the above listed criteria.** DSHS does not approve a new or updated component, modification, or replacement model for a SGD that can be repaired or modified. DSHS may make exceptions to this criteria based strictly on a finding of unforeseeable and significant changes to the client's medical condition. The prescribing physician is responsible for justifying why the changes in the client's medical condition were unforeseeable.

For the purchase of a SGD or related accessories or modifications, DSHS requires the provider to complete *The Speech Language Pathologist (SLP) Evaluation for Speech Generating Devices* form (DSHS 15-310). To download the form visit DSHS at:  
[http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/word/ms/forms/15\\_310.doc](http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/word/ms/forms/15_310.doc)

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**Bathroom/Shower Equipment [WAC 388-543-2300]**

- DSHS considers a caster-style shower commode chair as the primary option for clients.
- DSHS considers a wheelchair-style shower commode chair only if the client meets both of the following:
  - ✓ Is able to propel the equipment; and
  - ✓ Has special positioning needs that cannot be met by a caster-style chair.

**Note:** All other circumstances will be considered on a case-by-case basis, based on medical necessity. (See also EPA criteria in Section G.)

**Hospital Beds [WAC 388-543-2400]**

DSHS limits beds covered to hospital beds for rental or purchase. DSHS bases the decision to rent or purchase a manual, semi-electric, or full electric hospital bed on the length of time the client needs the bed, as follows:

- Initially authorizes a maximum of two months rental for a short-term need. Upon request, DSHS may allow limitation extensions as medically necessary (see EPA criteria for hospital beds, section G);
- Determines rental on a month-to-month basis if a client’s prognosis is poor;
- Considers a purchase, if the need is for more than six months;
- Approves up to six additional months, if the client continues to have a medical need for a hospital bed after six months. DSHS may approve rental for up to an additional six months. DSHS considers the equipment to be purchased after a total of twelve months rental;
- Considers a manual hospital bed the primary option when the client has full-time caregivers; and

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- Considers a full electric hospital bed only if the client meets all of the following criteria:
  - ✓ The client’s medical need requires the client to be positioned in a way that is not possible in a regular bed;
  - ✓ The position cannot be attained through less costly alternatives (e.g., the use of bedside rails, a trapeze, pillows, bolsters, rolled up towels or blankets);
  - ✓ The client’s medical condition requires immediate position changes;
  - ✓ The client is able to operate the controls independently; and
  - ✓ The client needs to be in the Trendelenburg position.

**Note:** DSHS considers a heavy duty bariatric hospital bed only if the client:

- Meets the criteria for either a manual or semi-electric hospital bed; and
- Weighs 420lbs or more or has a girth width greater than 36”.

### What if a service is covered but considered experimental or has restrictions or limitations? [WAC 388-543-1100 (3) and (4)]

- DSHS evaluates a request for a service that is in a covered category, but has been determined to be experimental or investigational as defined by WAC 388-531-0050, under the provisions of WAC 388-501-0165 which relate to medical necessity.
- DSHS evaluates a request for a covered service that is subject to limitations or other restrictions and approves such a service beyond those limitations or restrictions when medically necessary, under the standards for covered services in WAC 388-501-0165 (see page G.3 for limitation extensions).

### How can I request that equipment/supplies be added to the “covered” list in this billing instruction? [WAC 388-543-1100 (7)]

An interested party may request DSHS to include new equipment/supplies in these billing instructions by sending a written request to DSHS’s DME Program Management Unit (see *Important Contacts* section), plus all of the following:

- Manufacturer’s literature;
- Manufacturer’s pricing;
- Clinical research/case studies (including FDA approval, if required); and
- Any additional information the requestor feels is important.

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## What is not covered? [Refer to WAC 388-543-1300]

DSHS pays for durable medical equipment (DME) and related supplies and services only when medically necessary, listed as covered, meets the definition of DME and medical supplies (see *Definitions* section), and is prescribed by the provider requirements in this billing instruction (see *Provider Requirements* section).

DSHS considers all requests for covered DME, related supplies and services, and noncovered equipment and related supplies, and services, under the provisions of WAC 388-501-0165 which relate to medical necessity. When DSHS considers that a request does not meet the requirements for medical necessity, the definition(s) of covered item(s), or is not covered, the client may appeal that decision under the provisions of WAC 388-501-0165.

**Note:** Those HCPCS codes with a “#” symbol in the maximum allowable column of the fee schedule are not covered by DSHS.

DSHS specifically excludes services and equipment in this billing instruction from fee-for-service (FFS) scope of coverage when the services and equipment do not meet the definition for a covered item, or the services are not typically medically necessary. This exclusion does not apply if the services and equipment are:

- Requested for a child who is eligible for services under the EPSDT program;
- Included as part of a managed care plan service package;
- Included in a waived program; or
- Part of one of the Medicare programs for qualified Medicare beneficiaries.

### Services and equipment that are not covered include, but are not limited to:

- Services, procedures, devices, or the application of associated services that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) (formerly known as HCFA) consider investigative or experimental on the date the services are provided.
- Any service specifically excluded by statute;
- More costly services or equipment when DSHS determines that less costly, equally effective services or equipment are available;
- A client’s utility bills, even if the operation or maintenance of medical equipment purchased or rented by DSHS for the client contributes to an increased utility bill (refer to the Aging and Adult Services Administration (AASA) COPES program for potential coverage);

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- Hairpieces or wigs;
- Material or services covered under manufacturer's warranties;
- Procedures, prosthetics, or supplies related to gender dysphoria surgery;
- Shoe lifts less than one inch, arch supports, and nonorthopedic shoes;
- Supplies and equipment used during a physician office visit, such as tongue depressors and surgical gloves;
- Prosthetic devices dispensed for cosmetic reasons;

Home improvements and structural modifications, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Automatic door openers for the house or garage;
- Electrical rewiring for any reason;
- Elevator systems, elevators;
- Lifts or ramps for the home;
- Saunas;
- Security systems, burglar alarms, call buttons, lights, light dimmers, motion detectors, and similar devices;
- Swimming pools; and
- Whirlpool systems, such as Jacuzzis, hot tubs, or spas.

Non-medical equipment, supplies, and related services, including but not limited to, the following:

- Back-packs, pouches, bags, baskets, or other carrying containers;
- Bedboards/conversion kits, and blanket lifters (e.g., for feet);
- Car seats for children under five, except for positioning car seats that are prior authorized. Refer to "Rented DME and Supplies" for car seats;
- Cleaning brushes and supplies, except for ostomy-related cleaners/supplies;
- Diathermy machines used to produce heat by high frequency current, ultrasonic waves, or microwave radiation;

Electronic communication equipment, installation services, or service rates including, but not limited to, the following:

- Devices intended for amplifying voices (e.g., microphones);
- Interactive communications computer programs used between patients and healthcare providers (e.g., hospitals, physicians), for self care home monitoring, or emergency response systems and services (refer to AASA COPES or outpatient hospital programs)

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- for emergency response systems and services);
- Two-way radios; and
- Rental of related equipment or services;
- Environmental control devices, such as air conditioners, air cleaners/purifiers, dehumidifiers, portable room heaters or fans (including ceiling fans), heating or cooling pads;
- Ergonomic equipment;
- Exercise classes or equipment such as exercise mats, bicycles, tricycles, stair steppers, weights, or trampolines;
- Generators;
- Computer software other than speech generating, printers, and computer accessories (such as anti-glare shields, backup memory cards, etc.);
- Computer utility bills, telephone bills, Internet service, or technical support for computers or electronic notebooks;
- Any communication device that is useful to someone without severe speech impairment (e.g., cellular telephone, walkie-talkie, pager, or electronic notebook);
- Racing stroller/wheelchairs and purely recreational equipment;
- Room fresheners/deodorizers;
- Bidet or hygiene systems, paraffin bath units, and shampoo rings;
- Timers or electronic devices to turn things on or off, which are not an integral part of the equipment;
- Vacuum cleaners, carpet cleaners/deodorizers, and/or pesticides/insecticides; or
- Wheeled reclining chairs, lounge and/or lift chairs (e.g., geri-chair, posture guard, or lazy boy).

Personal and comfort items that do not meet the DME definition, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Bathroom items, such as antiperspirant, astringent, bath gel, conditioner, deodorant, moisturizers, mouthwash, powder, shampoo, shaving cream, shower cap, shower curtains, soap (including antibacterial soap), toothpaste, towels, and weight scales;
- Bedding items, such as bed pads, blankets, mattress covers/bags, pillows, pillow cases/covers; and sheets;
- Bedside items, such as bed trays, carafes, and over-the-bed tables;
- Clothing and accessories, such as coats, gloves (including wheelchair gloves), hats, scarves, slippers, and socks;
- Clothing protectors and other protective cloth furniture covering;
- Cosmetics, including corrective formulations, hair depilatories, and products for skin bleaching, commercial sun screens, and tanning;
- Diverter valves for bathtub;
- Eating/feeding utensils;

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- Emesis basins, enema bags, and diaper wipes;
- Health club memberships;
- Hot or cold temperature food and drink containers/holders;
- Hot water bottles and cold/hot packs or pads not otherwise covered by specialized therapy programs;
- Impotence devices;
- Insect repellants;
- Massage equipment;
- Medication dispensers, such as med-collators and count-a-dose, except as obtained under the compliance packaging program. See Chapter 388-530 WAC;
- Medicine cabinet and first aid items, such as adhesive bandages (e.g., Band-Aids, Curads), cotton balls, cotton-tipped swabs, medicine cups, thermometers, and tongue depressors;
- Page turners;
- Radios and televisions;
- Telephones, telephone arms, cellular phones, electronic beepers, and other telephone messaging services; and
- Toothettes and toothbrushes, waterpics, and peridontal devices whether manual, battery-operated, or electric.

Certain wheelchair features and options are not considered by DSHS to be medically necessary or essential for wheelchair use. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Attendant controls (remote control devices);
- Canopies, including those for stroller and other equipment;
- Clothing guards to protect clothing from dirt, mud, or water thrown up by the wheels (similar to mud flap for cars);
- Identification devices (such as labels, license plates, name plates);
- Lighting systems;
- Speed conversion kits;
- Tie-down restraints, except where medically necessary for client owned vehicles; and
- Warning devices, such as horns and backup signals.

**Note:** DSHS evaluates a request for any equipment or devices that are listed as noncovered in this billing instruction under the provisions of WAC 388-501-0165. [Refer to WAC 388-543-1100(2)]

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# “Other” DME Coverage Table

## Beds, Mattresses, and Related Equipment

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	A4640	RA or RB	Replacement pad for use with medically necessary alternating pressure pad owned by patient.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	A6550		Wound care set, for negative pressure wound therapy electrical pump, includes all supplies and accessories.	Yes	Purchase only.
	A7000		Canister, disposable, used with suction pump, each	No	Purchase only.  Limit of 5 per client every 30 days.  Covered only when billed in conjunction with prior authorized E2402.
	E0181	NU RR	Pressure pad, alternating with pump; includes heavy duty.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0182		Pump for alternating pressure pad.	No	Replacement purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0184		Dry pressure mattress.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0185	NU RR	Gel or gel-like pressure pad for mattress.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0186	NU RR	Air pressure mattress.	Rental requires PA.	For powered pressure reducing mattress see code E0277. Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0187		Water pressure mattress.		
	E0190		Positioning cushion/pillow/wedge, any shape or size.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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#	E0193		Powered air flotation bed (low air loss therapy).		
	E0194	NU RR	Air fluidized bed.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental.
	E0196		Gel pressure mattress.	Yes	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0197	NU RR	Air pressure pad for mattress (standard mattress length and width).	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0198		Water pressure pad for mattress, standard mattress length and width.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility rate.
P	E0199		Dry pressure pad for mattress, standard mattress length and width.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0250		Hospital bed, fixed height, with any type side rails, with mattress.		

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E0251		Hospital bed, fixed height, with any type side rails, without mattress.		
#	E0255		Hospital bed, variable height, hi-lo, with any type side rails, with mattress.		See E0292 and E0305 or E0310.
#	E0256		Hospital bed, variable height, hi-lo, with any type side rails, without mattress.		See E0293 and E0305 or E0310.
#	E0260		Hospital bed, semi-electric (head and foot adjustment), with any type side rails, with mattress.		See E0294 and E0305 or E0310.
#	E0261		Hospital bed, semi-electric (head and foot adjustment), with any type side rails, without mattress.		See E0295 and E0305 or E0310.
#	E0265		Hospital bed, total electric (head, foot, and height adjustments), with any type side rails, with mattress.		See E0296 and E0305 or E0310.
#	E0266		Hospital bed, total electric (head, foot, and height adjustments), with any type side rails, without mattress.		See E0297 and E0305 or E0310.
#	E0270		Hospital bed, institutional type includes: oscillating, circulating and stryker frame, with mattress.		
P	E0271	NU	Mattress, inner spring.	No	Included in nursing facility daily rate. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Replacement only.

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<b>Code Status Indicator</b>	<b>HCPCS Code</b>	<b>Modifier</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>PA?</b>	<b>Policy/ Comments</b>
P	E0272		Mattress, foam rubber (replacement only).	No	Included in nursing facility daily rate. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Purchase only.
#	E0273		Bed board.		
#	E0274		Over-bed table.		
	E0277	NU RR	Powered pressure-reducing air mattress.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental.
#	E0280		Bed cradle, any type.		
#	E0290		Hospital bed, fixed height, without side rails, with mattress.		
#	E0291		Hospital bed, fixed height, without side rails, with mattress.		
	E0292	NU RR	Hospital bed, variable height, hi-lo, without side rails, with mattress.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental.  Limit of 1 per client every 10 years.  Included in the nursing facility daily rate.
	E0293	NU RR	Hospital bed, variable height, hi-lo, without side rails, without mattress.	Yes	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental.  Limit of 1 per client every 10 years.  Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0294	NU RR	Hospital bed, semi-electric (head and foot adjustments), without side rails, with mattress.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 10 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0295	NU RR	Hospital bed, semi-electric (head and foot adjustments), without side rails, without mattress.	Yes	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0296	NU RR	Hospital bed, total electric (head, foot, and height adjustments), without side rails, with mattress.	Yes	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0297	NU RR	Hospital bed, total electric (head, foot, and height adjustments), without side rails, without mattress.	Yes	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental.  Limit of 1 per client every 10 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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	E0300	NU RR	Pediatric crib, hospital grade, fully enclosed.	Yes	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental.  Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0301		Hospital bed, heavy duty, extra wide, with weight capacity greater than 350 pounds, but less than or equal to 600 pounds, with any type side rails, without mattress.		Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0302		Hospital bed, extra heavy duty, extra wide, with weight capacity greater than 600 pounds, with any type side rails, without mattress.		Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0303	NU RR	Hospital bed, heavy duty, extra wide, with weight capacity greater than 350 pounds, but less than or equal to 600 pounds, with any type side rails, with mattress.	Yes	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental.  Limit of 1 per client every 10 years.  Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0304	NU RR	Hospital bed, extra heavy duty, extra wide, with weight capacity greater than 600 pounds, with any type side rails, with mattress.	Yes	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental.  Limit of 1 per client every 10 years.  Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0305	NU RR	Bedside rails, half length, pair.	Rental requires PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 10 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0310	NU RR	Bedside rails, full length, pair.	Rental requires PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 10 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0315		Bed accessory: board, table, or support device, any type.	No	
	E0316		Safety enclosure frame/canopy for use with hospital bed, any type.	Yes	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
N	E0328		Hospital bed, pediatric, manual, 360 degree side enclosures, top of headboard, footboard and side rails up to 24 inches above the spring, includes mattress.	Yes	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate. Limit of 1 per client every 10 years.
N	E0329		Hospital bed, pediatric, electric or semi-electric, 360 degree side enclosures, top of headboard, footboard and side rails up to 24 inches above the spring, includes mattress.	Yes	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate. Limit of 1 per client every 10 years.
#	E0370		Air pressure elevator for heel.	No	

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0371	NU RR	Nonpowered advanced pressure reducing overlay for mattress, standard mattress length and width.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental.
	E0372	NU RR	Powered air overlay for mattress, standard mattress length and width.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental.
	E0373	NU RR	Nonpowered advanced pressure reducing mattress.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental.
	E2402	RR	Negative pressure wound therapy electrical pump, stationary or portable.	Yes	Rental only.

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### Other Patient Room Equipment

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0621		Sling or seat, patient lift, canvas or nylon.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0625		Patient lift, bathroom or toilet, not otherwise classified.	No	
#	E0627		Seat lift mechanism incorporated into a combination lift-chair mechanism.	No	
#	E0628		Separate seat lift mechanism for use with patient owned furniture - electric.	No	
#	E0629		Separate seat lift mechanism for use with patient owned furniture - nonelectric.	No	

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
P	E0630	NU RR	Patient lift, hydraulic, with seat or sling.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. (Includes bath.) Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0635	NU RR	Patient lift, electric, with seat or sling.	Yes	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0636		Multipositional patient support system, with integrated lift, patient accessible controls.		
#	E0639		Patient lift, moveable from room to room with disassembly and reassembly, includes all components/accessories.		
#	E0640		Patient lift, fixed system, includes all components/accessories.		
#	E0656		Segmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, trunk.		
#	E0657		Segmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, chest.		
#	E0769		Electrical stimulation or electromagnetic wound treatment device, not otherwise classified.		

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E0770		Functional electrical stimulator, transcutaneous stimulation of nerve and/or muscle groups, any type, complete system, not otherwise specified.		
#	E0830		Ambulatory traction device, all types, each.		
	E0840		Traction frame, attached to headboard, cervical traction.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0841		Multi-directional static progressive stretch shoulder device, with range of motion adjustability, includes cuffs.		
#	E0849		Traction equipment, cervical, free-standing stand/frame, pneumatic, applying traction force to other than mandible.		
	E0850		Traction stand, freestanding, cervical traction.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0855		Cervical traction equipment not requiring additional stand or frame.		
#	E0856		Cervical traction device, cervical collar with inflatable air bladder.		

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	E0860		Traction equipment, overdoor, cervical.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0870		Traction frame, attached to footboard, simple extremity traction (e.g. Buck's).	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0880		Traction stand, freestanding, extremity traction (e.g., Buck's).	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0890		Traction frame, attached to footboard, pelvic traction.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0900		Traction stand, freestanding, pelvic traction (e.g., Buck's).	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0910	NU RR	Trapeze bar, also known as patient helper, attached to bed with grab bar.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0911	NU RR	Trapeze bar, heavy duty, for patient weight capacity greater than 250 pounds, attached to bed with grab bar	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0912	NU RR	Trapeze bar, heavy duty, for patient weight capacity greater than 250 pounds, free standing, complete with grab bar.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0920	NU RR	Fracture frame, attached to bed. Includes weights.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0930	NU RR	Fracture frame, freestanding, includes weights.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0940	NU RR	Trapeze bar, freestanding, complete with grab bar.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0941	NU RR	Gravity assisted traction device, any type.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0946	NU RR	Fracture frame, dual with cross bars, attached to bed (e.g., Balken, 4-poster).	Rental requires PA	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0947		Fracture frame, attachments for complex pelvic traction.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0948		Fracture frame, attachments for complex cervical traction.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0972		Wheelchair accessory, transfer board or device, each.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0705		Transfer board or device, any type, each.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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**Positioning Devices**

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0637	NU RR	Combination sit to stand system, any size including pediatric, with seat lift feature, with or without wheels (includes padded seat, knee support, foot plates, foot straps, formed table and cup holder and hydraulic actuator).	Yes	Deemed purchased after one year's rental. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0638		Standing frame system, any size including pediatric, with or without wheels (includes padding, straps, adjustable armrests, footboard and support blocks).	No	Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0641		Standing frame system, multi-position (e.g. three-way stander), any size including pediatric, (includes padding, straps, adjustable armrests, footboard and support blocks.)		
#	E0642		Standing frame system, mobile dynamic stander, any size including pediatric, (includes padding, straps, adjustable armrests, footboard and support blocks.)		
P	E0638	NU	Durable medical equipment, miscellaneous. (Prone stander, child size (child up to 48" tall). Includes padding, chest and foot straps).		Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.  Effective January 1, 2010

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
P	E0638	NU	Durable medical equipment, miscellaneous. (Prone stander, youth size (youth up to 58" tall). Includes padding, chest and foot straps).		Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.  Effective January 1, 2010
P	E0638	NU	Durable medical equipment, miscellaneous. (Prone stander, infant size (infant up to 38" tall). Includes padding, chest and foot straps).		Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.  Effective January 1, 2010
P	E0638	NU	Durable medical equipment, miscellaneous. (Prone stander, adult size (adult up to 75" tall). Includes padding, chest and foot straps).		Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.  Effective January 1, 2010

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**Noninvasive Bone Growth/Nerve Stimulators**

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E0720		TENS, two lead, localized stimulation.		
P#	E0730	NU RR	<del>Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation device, four or more leads, for multiple nerve stimulation. Includes 4 lead wires, 4 electrodes, battery charger and gel.</del>		Noncovered Effective February 1, 2010
#	E0731		Form-fitting conductive garment for delivery of TENS or NMES (with conductive fibers separated from the patient's skin by layers of fabric).		
	E0740	NU RR	Incontinence treatment system, pelvic floor stimulator, monitor, sensor and/or trainer.	Yes	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0744		Neuromuscular stimulator for scoliosis.		
#	E0745		Neuromuscular stimulator, electronic shock unit.		
#	E0746		Electromyography (EMG) biofeedback device.		
	E0747		Osteogenesis stimulator, electrical noninvasive, other than spinal applications.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0748		Osteogenesis stimulator, electrical noninvasive, spinal applications.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years.
#	E0749		Osteogenesis stimulator, electrical, surgically implanted.		
#	E0752		Implantable neurostimulator electrode, each.		
#	E0754		Patient programmer (external) for use with implantable programmable neurostimulator pulse generator.		
#	E0755		Electronic salivary reflex stimulator (intraoral/noninvasive).		
#	E0756		Implantable neurostimulator pulse generator.		
#	E0757		Implantable neurostimulator radiofrequency receiver.		
#	E0758		Radiofrequency transmitter (external) for use with implantable neurostimulator radiofrequency receiver.		
#	E0759		Radiofrequency transmitter (external) for use with implantable sacral root neurostimulator receiver for bowel and bladder management, replacement.		
	E0760		Osteogenesis stimulator, low intensity ultrasound, noninvasive.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E0761		Non-thermal pulsed high frequency radiowaves, high peak power electromagnetic energy treatment device.		
#	E0762		Transcutaneous electrical joint stimulation device system, includes all accessories.		
#	E0764		Functional neuromuscular stimulator, transcutaneous stimulation of muscles of ambulation with computer control, used for walking by spinal cord injured.		
#	E0765		FDA approved nerve stimulator, with replaceable batteries, for treatment of nausea and vomiting.		
#	K0600		Functional neuromuscular stimulator, transcutaneous stimulation of muscles of ambulation with computer control, used for walking by spinal cord injured, entire system, after completion of training program.		

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### Communication Devices

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E1902		Communication board, non-electronic augmentative or alternative communication device.		
	E2500		Speech generating device, digitized speech, using pre-recorded messages, less than or equal to 8 minutes recording time.	Yes	Purchase only.
	E2502		Speech generating device, digitized speech, using pre-recorded messages, greater than 8 minutes but less than or equal to 20 minutes recording time.	Yes	Purchase only.
	E2504		Speech generating device, digitized speech, using pre-recorded messages, greater than 20 minutes but less than or equal to 40 minutes recording time.	Yes	Purchase only.
	E2506		Speech generating device, digitized speech, using pre-recorded messages, greater than 40 minutes recording time.	Yes	Purchase only.
	E2508		Speech generating device, synthesized speech, requiring message formulation by spelling and access by physical contact with the device.	Yes	Purchase only.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E2510		Speech generating device, synthesized speech, permitting multiple methods of message formulation and multiple methods of device access.	Yes	Purchase only.
#	E2511		Speech generating software program, for personal computer or personal digital assistant.		
	E2512		Accessory for speech generating device, mounting system.	Yes	Purchase only
	E2599		Accessory for speech generating device, not otherwise classified.	Yes	Purchase only.
P	L8500		Artificial larynx, any type.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years.

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**Ambulatory Aids**

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	A4635		Underarm pad, crutch, replacement, each.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	A4636		Replacement handgrip, cane, crutch, or walker, each.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	A4637		Replacement tip, cane, crutch, or walker, each.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0100		Cane; includes canes of all materials; adjustable or fixed, with tip.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0105		Cane, quad or three-prong; includes canes of all materials; adjustable or fixed, with tip.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0110		Crutches, forearm; includes crutches of various materials, adjustable or fixed; complete with tips and handgrips.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0111		Crutches, forearm, includes crutches of various materials, adjustable or fixed, each, with tip and handgrip.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0112		Crutches, underarm, wood, adjustable or fixed, per pair, with pads, tips/handgrips.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0113		Crutch, underarm; wood; adjustable or fixed; each, with pad, tip and handgrip.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0114		Crutches, underarm; other than wood; adjustable or fixed; per pair, with pads, tips and handgrips.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0116		Crutch, underarm; other than wood; adjustable or fixed; each, with pad, tip and handgrip, with or without shock absorber, each.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0117		Crutch, underarm, articulating, spring assisted, each.	Yes	Purchase only.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E0118		Crutch substitute, lower leg platform, with or without wheels, each.		
#	E8000		Gait trainer, pediatric size, posterior support, includes all accessories and components.		See code E8001.
	E8001		Gait trainer, pediatric size, upright support, includes all accessories and components.	Yes	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E8002		Gait trainer, pediatric size, anterior support, includes all accessories and components.		See code E8001.
	E0130		Walker, rigid (pickup), adjustable or fixed height.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0135		Walker; folding (pickup), adjustable or fixed height.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0140		Walker, with trunk support, adjustable or fixed height, any type.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0141		Walker, rigid, wheeled, adjustable or fixed height.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0143		Walker, folding, wheeled, adjustable or fixed height.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility rate.
	E0144		Walker, enclosed, four sided framed, rigid or folding, wheeled with posterior seat.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0147		Walker, heavy duty, multiple braking system, variable wheel resistance (over 250 lbs).	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0148		Walker, heavy duty, without wheels, rigid or folding, any type (over 250lbs).	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0149		Walker, heavy duty, wheeled, rigid or folding, any type (over 250 lbs).	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0153		Platform attachment, forearm crutch, each.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0154		Platform attachment, walker, each.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0155		Wheel attachment, rigid pick-up walker, per pair seat attachment, walker.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0156		Seat attachment, walker.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0157		Crutch attachment, walker, each.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0158		Leg extensions for walker, per set of four (4).	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0159		Brake attachment for wheeled walker, replacement, each.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

## Bathroom Equipment

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E0160		Sitz type bath or equipment, portable, used with or without commode.		
#	E0161		Sitz type bath or equipment, portable, used with or without commode, with faucet attachment(s).		
#	E0162		Sitz bath chair.		

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0163	NU RR	Commode chair, stationary, with fixed arms.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0165	NU RR	Commode chair, stationary, with detachable arms.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0167		Pail or pan, for use with commode chair. (replacement)	No	Included in purchase price of commode. Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0168	NU RR	Commode chair, extra wide and/or heavy duty, stationary or mobile, with or without arms, any type, each.	Rental requires PA.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
#	E0170		Commode chair with integrated seat lift mechanism, electric, any type.		

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E0171		Commode chair with integrated seat lift mechanism, non-electric, any type.		
#	E0172		Seat lift mechanism placed over or on top of toilet, any type.		
	E0175		Foot rest, for use with commode chair, each.	Yes	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
P	E0240		Bath/shower chair, with or without wheels, any size.		
	E0241		Bathtub wall rail, each.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0242		Bathtub rail, floor base.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0243		Toilet rail, each.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0244		Raised toilet seat.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0245		Tub stool or bench.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily

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	E0246	NU	Transfer tub rail attachment, each.	No	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0247		Transfer bench for tub or toilet with or without commode opening.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0248		Transfer bench, heavy duty, for tub or toilet with or without commode opening (over 250 lbs).	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0275		Bed pan, standard, metal or plastic.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0276		Bed pan, fracture, metal or plastic.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0325		Urinal; male, jug-type, any material.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0326		Urinal; female, jug-type, any material.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0350		Control unit for electronic bowel irrigation/evacuation system.	Yes	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0352		Disposable pack (water reservoir bag, speculum, valving mechanism and collection bag/box) for use with the electronic bowel irrigation/evacuation system.	Yes	Purchase only. Included in nursing facility daily rate.
	E0700		Safety equipment (e.g., belt, harness or vest).	No	Purchase only. Included in the nursing facility daily rate.

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## Support Devices/Orthotics

See the *Prosthetics and Orthotics Billing Instructions* for Support Devices/Orthotics Codes

### Blood Monitoring

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
P D	A4660		Sphygmomanometer/blood pressure apparatus with cuff and stethoscope.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Discontinued 8/1/2009
P D	A4663		Blood pressure cuff only.	No	Purchase only. Discontinued 8/1/2009
P D	A4670		Automatic blood pressure monitor.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Discontinued 8/1/2009
P D	A9275		Home glucose disposable monitor, include test strips.	No	Purchase only. Discontinued 8/1/2009
	E0607		Home blood glucose monitor.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client, per 3 years.
	E2100		Blood glucose monitor with integrated voice synthesizer.	Yes	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client, per 3 years.
#	E2101		Blood glucose monitor with integrated lancing/blood sample.		Removed from this table as non-covered 8/1/2009

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**Miscellaneous Durable Medical Equipment**

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
N	A8000		Helmet, protective, soft, prefabricated, includes all components and accessories.	No	Purchase only.
N	A8001		Helmet, protective, hard, prefabricated, and includes all components and accessories.	No	Purchase only.
N	A8002		Helmet, protective, soft, custom fabricated, includes all components and accessories.	Yes	Purchase only.
N	A8003		Helmet, protective, hard, custom fabricated, includes all components and accessories.	Yes	Purchase only.
N	A8004		Soft interface for helmet, replacement only	Yes	Not allowed in addition to A8000 – A8003.
	E0202	RR	Phototherapy (bilirubin) light with photometer.	No	Rental only. Includes all supplies. Limit of five days of rental per client per 12-month period.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E0602		Breast pump, manual, any type.	No	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client per lifetime. Not allowed in combination with E0603 or E0604RR
	E0603	NU	Breast pump, electric, AC and/or DC, any type.	Yes	Purchase only. Limit of 1 per client per lifetime. Not allowed in combination with E0604RR or E0602.
	E0604	RR	Breast pump, heavy duty, hospital grade, piston operated, pulsatile vacuum suction/release cycles, vacuum regulator, supplies, transformer, electric, AC and/or DC.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Rental only. If client received a kit during hospitalization, an additional kit will not be covered. If client did not receive a kit – can bill with EPA.
	E0650	NU RR	Pneumatic compressor, nonsegmental home model.	Rental requires PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Deemed purchased after 1 year's rental. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years. Included in nursing facility daily rate.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/Comments
#	E0651		Pneumatic compressor, segmental home model without calibrated gradient pressure.		
#	E0652		Pneumatic compressor, segmental home model with calibrated gradient pressure.		
	E0655		Extremity sleeve: nonsegmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, half arm.	No	Purchase only.
	E0660		Extremity sleeve: nonsegmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, full leg.	No	Purchase only.
	E0665		Extremity sleeve: nonsegmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, full arm.	No	Purchase only.
	E0666		Extremity sleeve: nonsegmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, half leg.	No	Purchase only.
#	E0667		Segmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, full leg.		
#	E0668		Segmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, full arm.		
#	E0669		Segmental pneumatic appliance for use with pneumatic compressor, half leg.		
#	E0671		Segmental gradient pressure pneumatic appliance, full leg.		

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/Comments
#	E0672		Segmental gradient pressure pneumatic appliance, full arm.		
#	E0673		Segmental gradient pressure pneumatic appliance, half leg.		
#	E0675		Pneumatic compression device, high pressure, rapid inflation/deflation cycle, for arterial insufficiency (unilateral or bilateral system).		
#	E0676		Intermittent limb compression device (includes all accessories), not otherwise specified.		
#	E0691		Ultraviolet light therapy system panel, includes bulbs/lamps, timer and eye protection; treatment area two square feet or less		
#	E0692		Ultraviolet light therapy system panel, includes bulbs/lamps, timer and eye protection, four foot panel.		
#	E0693		Ultraviolet light therapy system panel, includes bulbs/lamps, timer and eye protection, six foot panel.		
#	E0694		Ultraviolet multidirectional light therapy system in six foot cabinet, includes bulbs/lamps, timer and eye protection.		

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/Comments
#	E0710		Restraint, any type (body, chest, wrist or ankle).		
	E0935	RR	Continuous passive motion exercise device for use on knee only (complete). Includes continuous passive motion softgoods kit.	PA or EPA. See EPA Section G.	Rental allowed for maximum of 10 days.
	E0936	RR	Continuous passive motion exercise device for use other than knee.	Yes	Rental allowed for maximum of 10 days.
#	E1300		Whirlpool, portable (overtub type).		
#	E1310		Whirlpool, nonportable (built-in type).		
P	E1399	NU	Durable medical equipment, miscellaneous. (Breast pump kit, electric).	<i>PA Required</i>  <i>EPA #870000764 must be used when billing this item. See EPA Section G.</i>	Purchase only.  Effective January 1, 2010
	E2000	RR	Gastric suction pump, home model, portable or stationary, electric.	Yes	Rental only.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	K0606		Automatic external defibrillator, with integrated electrocardiogram analysis, garment type.		
#	K0607		Replacement battery for automated external defibrillator, garment type only, each.		
#	K0608		Replacement garment for use with automated external defibrillator, each.		
#	K0609		Replacement electrodes for use with automated external defibrillator, garment type only, each.		
N	K0739		Labor, other DME repairs (other than wheelchairs), per quarter hour. (Trouble shooting, delivery, evaluations, travel time, etc. are included in the reimbursement of the items).	Yes	For client-owned equipment only.  New January 1, 2010
	T5001	NU RR	Positioning seat for persons with special orthopedic needs, for use in vehicles (5 years and older).	Rental and clients younger than 5 years of age require PA.	Included in nursing facility daily rate. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years.

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### Other Charges for DME Services

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	A9281		Reaching/grabbing device, any type, any length, each.		
#	A9282		Wig, any type, each.		
#	E0200		Heat/Cold Application. Heat lamp, without stand (table model), includes bulb, or infrared element.		
#	E0203		Therapeutic lightbox, minimum 10,000 lux, table top model.		
#	E0205		Heat lamp, with stand, includes bulb, or infrared element.		
#	E0210		Electric heat pad, standard.		
#	E0215		Electric heat pad, moist.		
#	E0217		Water circulating heat pad with pump.		
#	E0218		Water circulating cold pad with pump.		
#	E0220		Hot water bottle.		
#	E0221		Infrared heating pad system.		
#	E0225		Hydrocollator unit, includes pads.		
#	E0230		Ice cap or collar.		
#	E0231		Non-contact wound warming device (temperature control unit, AC adapter and power cord) for use with warming card and wound cover.		

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E0232		Warming card for use with the non-contact wound warming device and non-contact wound warming wound cover.		
#	E0235		Paraffin bath unit, portable (see medical supply code A4265 for paraffin).		
#	E0236		Pump for water circulating pad.		
#	E0238		Nonelectric heat pad, moist.		
#	E0239		Hydrocollator unit, portable.		
#	E0249		Pad for water circulating heat unit.		
D	<del>E1340</del>		<del>Labor, other DME repairs (other than wheelchairs), per quarter hour. (Trouble shooting, delivery, evaluations, travel time, etc. are included in the reimbursement of the items).</del>	Yes	For client-owned equipment only.  Discontinued January 1, 2010
	E1399	NU RR	Durable medical equipment, miscellaneous. (Other nonlisted durable medical equipment not otherwise listed).	Yes	Provide complete description including copy of manufacturer's product information and price catalog with request for authorization.

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# Wheelchairs

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## Wheelchair Coverage [Refer to WAC 388-543-2000]

- The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) bases its decisions regarding requests for wheelchairs on medical necessity and on a case-by-case basis. The following apply when DSHS determines that a wheelchair is medically necessary for six months or less:
  - ✓ If the client lives at home, DSHS rents a wheelchair for the client; or
  - ✓ If the client lives in a nursing facility, the nursing facility must provide a house wheelchair as part of the per diem rate paid by the Aging and Adult Services Administration (AASA).
- For the purchase of a wheelchair or for wheelchair accessories or modifications for nursing facility clients, DSHS requires the provider to complete the *Medical Necessity for Wheelchair Purchase for Nursing Facilities (NF) Clients* form (DSHS 13-729) (an electronic version can be obtained at <http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/msa/forms/eforms.html>). An updated version of this form (including a title change) is available, and will be required effective March 1, 2007.
- For the purchase of a wheelchair or for wheelchair accessories or modifications for home clients, DSHS now requires the provider to complete the *Medical Necessity for Wheelchair Purchase (for home client only)* form (DSHS 13-727) (an electronic version can be obtained at <http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/msa/forms/eforms.html>). An updated version of this form (including a title change) is available, and will be required effective March 1, 2007.

## Manual Wheelchairs

DSHS considers rental or purchase of a manual wheelchair for a home client who is nonambulatory or has limited mobility and requires a wheelchair to participate in normal daily activities. DSHS determines the type of manual wheelchair based on the following:

- A **standard wheelchair** if the client's medical condition requires the client to have a wheelchair to participate in normal daily activities;



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- A **standard lightweight** wheelchair if the client's medical condition is such that the client:
  - ✓ Cannot self-propel a standard weight wheelchair; or
  - ✓ Requires custom modifications that cannot be provided on a standard weight wheelchair.
- A **high-strength lightweight wheelchair** for a client:
  - ✓ Whose medical condition is such that the client cannot self-propel a lightweight or standard weight wheelchair; or
  - ✓ Requires custom modifications that cannot be provided on a standard weight or lightweight wheelchair.
- A **heavy duty wheelchair** for a client who requires a specifically manufactured wheelchair designed to:
  - ✓ Support a person weighing up to 300 pounds; or
  - ✓ Accommodate a seat width up to 22 inches wide (not to be confused with custom heavy duty wheelchairs).
- A **custom heavy duty wheelchair** for a client who requires a specifically manufactured wheelchair designed to:
  - ✓ Support a person weighing over 300 pounds; or
  - ✓ Accommodate a seat width over 22 inches wide.
- A **rigid wheelchair** for a client:
  - ✓ With a medical condition that involves severe upper extremity weakness;
  - ✓ Who has a high level of activity; and
  - ✓ Who is unable to self-propel any of the above categories of wheelchair.
- A custom **manufactured wheelchair** for a client with a medical condition requiring wheelchair customization that cannot be obtained on any of the above categories of wheelchairs.

## Power-drive Wheelchairs

DSHS considers a power-drive wheelchair when the client's medical needs cannot be met by a less costly means of mobility. The prescribing physician must certify that the client can safely and effectively operate a power-drive wheelchair and that the client meets all of the following conditions:

- The client's medical condition negates his or her ability to self-propel any of the wheelchairs listed in the manual wheelchair category;
- A power-drive wheelchair will provide the client the only means of independent mobility; and
- If a child, a power-drive wheelchair will enable a child to achieve age-appropriate independence and developmental milestones.

All other circumstances will be considered based on medical necessity and on a case-by-case basis. The following additional information is required for a three- or four-wheeled power-drive scooter-cart:

- The prescribing physician certifies that the client's condition is stable; and
- The client is unlikely to require a standard power-drive wheelchair within the next two years.

For the purchase of a wheelchair or for wheelchair accessories or modifications for home clients, DSHS has developed a form that may be used called the "Wheelchair Purchase Evaluation Form (for home clients only)" (an electronic version can be obtained at <http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/dshsforms/forms/eforms.html>).

## Coverage of Multiple Wheelchairs

DSHS may cover two wheelchairs, a manual wheelchair and a power-drive wheelchair, for a noninstitutionalized client in certain situations. One of the following must apply:

- The architecture of the client's home is completely unsuitable for a power-drive wheelchair, such as narrow hallways, narrow doorways, steps at the entryway, and insufficient turning radii;
- The architecture of the client's home bathroom is such that power-drive wheelchair access is not possible, and the client needs a manual wheelchair to safely and successfully complete bathroom activities and maintain personal cleanliness; or
- The client has a power-drive wheelchair, but also requires a manual wheelchair because the power-drive wheelchair cannot be transported to meet the client's community, workplace, or educational activities; the manual wheelchair would allow the caregiver to transport the client in a standard automobile or van. In these cases, DSHS requires the client's situation to meet the following conditions:
  - ✓ The client's activities that require the second wheelchair must be located farther than one-fourth of a mile from the client's home; and
  - ✓ Cabulance, public buses, or personal transit are neither available, practical, nor possible for financial or other reasons.

All other circumstances are considered on a case-by-case basis, based on medical necessity. DSHS considers the power-drive wheelchair to be the client's primary chair when the client has both a power-drive wheelchair and a manual wheelchair.

# Wheelchair Coverage Table

## Manual Wheelchairs (Covered HCPCS Codes)

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E1031	NU	Rollabout chair, any and all types with casters five inches or greater.	Yes	
#	E1039		Transport chair, adult size, heavy duty, patient weight capacity greater than 300 pounds.		
	E1060	RR	Fully reclining wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.	Yes. See EPA Section G.	
	E1161	NU	Manual adult size wheelchair, includes tilt in space.	Yes	
	E1229	NU	Wheelchair, pediatric size, not otherwise specified.	Yes	
	E1231	NU	Wheelchair, pediatric size, tilt-in- space, rigid, adjustable, with seating system.	Yes	
	E1232	NU	Wheelchair, pediatric size, tilt-in-space, folding, adjustable, with seating system.	Yes	

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E1233	NU	Wheelchair, pediatric size, tilt-in-space, rigid, adjustable, without seating system.	Yes	
	E1234	NU	Wheelchair, pediatric size, tilt-in-space, folding, adjustable, without seating system.	Yes	
	E1235	NU	Wheelchair, pediatric size, rigid, adjustable, with seating system.	Yes	
	E1236	NU	Wheelchair, pediatric size, folding, adjustable, with seating system.	Yes	
	E1237	NU RR	Wheelchair, pediatric size, rigid, adjustable, without seating system.	Yes	
	E1238	NU	Wheelchair, pediatric size, folding, adjustable, without seating system.	Yes	
	K0001	NU RR	Standard wheelchair (all styles of arms, foot rests, and/or leg rests).	Yes. See EPA Section G (for rental only).	
	K0002	NU RR	Standard hemi (low seat) for wheelchair.	Yes	

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0003	NU RR	Lightweight wheelchair (all styles of arms, foot rests, and/or leg rests).	Yes. See EPA Section G (for rental only).	
	K0004	NU	High strength, lightweight wheelchair.	Yes	
	K0005	NU	Ultralightweight wheelchair.	Yes	
	K0006	NU RR	Heavy-duty wheelchair (all styles of arms, foot rests, and/or leg rests).	Yes. See EPA Section G.	
	K0007	NU	Extra heavy-duty wheelchair.	Yes	
	K0009	NU	Other manual wheelchair/base.	Yes	

### Manual Wheelchairs (Noncovered HCPCS Codes)

#	E1037		Transport chair, pediatric size.		
#	E1038		Transport chair, adult size, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.		
#	E1050		Fully reclining wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See codes K0003 and E1226.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E1070		Fully reclining wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See codes K0003 and E1226.
#	E1083		Hemi-wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See code K0002 or K0003.
#	E1084		Hemi-wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See code K0002 or K0003.
#	E1085		Hemi-wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See code K0002 or K0003.
#	E1086		Hemi-wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See code K0002 or K0003.
#	E1087		High-strength lightweight wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See code K0004.
#	E1088		High-strength lightweight wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See code K0004.
#	E1089		High-strength lightweight wheelchair; fixed-length arms, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See code K0004.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E1090		High-strength lightweight wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See code K0004.
#	E1092		Wide, heavy-duty wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See code K0007.
#	E1093		Wide, heavy-duty wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length arms, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See code K0007.
#	E1100		Semi-reclining wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See codes K0003 and E1226.
#	E1110		Semi-reclining wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, elevating legrests.		See codes K0003 and E1226.
#	E1130		Standard wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, fixed or swing-away, detachable footrests.		See code K0001.
#	E1140		Wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See code K0001.
#	E1150		Wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See K0001.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E1160		Wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		
#	E1170		Amputee wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See codes K0001 - K0005.
#	E1171		Amputee wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, without footrests or legrests.		See codes K0001 - K0005.
#	E1172		Amputee wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, without footrests or legrests.		See codes K0001 - K0005.
#	E1180		Amputee wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See codes K0001 - K0005.
#	E1190		Amputee wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See codes K0001 - K0005.
#	E1195		Heavy duty wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See code K0007.
#	E1200		Amputee wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See codes K0001 - K0005.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
#	E1240		Lightweight wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable, elevating legrests.		See code K0003 or K0004.
#	E1250		Lightweight wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable, footrests.		See code K0003 or K0004.
#	E1260		Lightweight wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See code K0003 or K0004.
#	E1270		Lightweight wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable elevating legrests.		See code K0003 or K0004.
#	E1280		Heavy-duty wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, elevating legrests.		See code K0007.
#	E1285		Heavy-duty wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See code K0007.
#	E1290		Heavy-duty wheelchair; detachable arms, desk or full-length, swing-away, detachable footrests.		See code K0007.
#	E1295		Heavy-duty wheelchair; fixed full-length arms, elevating legrests.		See code K0007.

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**Power Wheelchairs (Covered HCPCS Codes)**

	K0800	NU	Power operated vehicle, group 1 standard, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, K0056, E0998, E0999, K0069 – K0072, K0077, E2360 – E2372, E2381 – E2396 and K0733
	K0801	NU	Power operated vehicle, group 1 heavy duty, patient weight capacity, 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, K0056, E0998, E0999, K0069 – K0072, K0077, E2360 – E2372, E2381 – E2396 and K0733

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0802	NU	Power operated vehicle, group 1 very heavy duty, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, K0056, E0998, E0999, K0069 – K0072, K0077, E2360 – E2372, E2381 – E2396 and K0733.
	K0806	NU	Power operated vehicle, group 2 standard, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, K0056, E0998, E0999, K0069 – K0072, K0077, E2360 – E2372, E2381 – E2396 and K0733.
	K0807	NU	Power operated vehicle, group 2 heavy duty, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, K0056, E0998, E0999, K0069 – K0072, K0077, E2360 – E2372, E2381 – E2396 and K0733.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0808	NU	Power operated vehicle, group 2 very heavy duty, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, K0056, E0998, E0999, K0069 – K0072, K0077, E2360 – E2372, E2381 – E2396 and K0733.
	K0812	NU	Power operated vehicle, not otherwise classified.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, K0056, E0998, E0999, K0069 – K0072, K0077, E2360 – E2372, E2381 – E2396 and K0733.

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## Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment (DME), and Supplies

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0813	NU	Power wheelchair, group 1 standard, portable, sling/solid seat and back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0814	NU	Power wheelchair, group 1 standard, portable, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0815	NU	Power wheelchair, group 1 standard, sling/solid seat and back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396, K0056, E0978, E2366, , K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0816	NU	Power wheelchair, group 1 standard, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0820	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, portable, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0821	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, portable, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0822	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0823	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0824	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0825	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0826	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 very heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0827	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 very heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0828	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 extra heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 601 pounds or more.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0829	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 extra heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight capacity 601 pounds or more.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0830	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, seat elevator, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0831	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, seat elevator, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0835	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0836	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, single power option, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0837	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 heavy duty, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0838	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 heavy duty, single power option, captains chair, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0839	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 very heavy duty, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0840	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 extra heavy duty, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 601 pounds or more.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0841	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0842	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, multiple power option, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0843	NU	Power wheelchair, group 2 heavy duty, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0848	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 standard, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0849	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 standard, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0850	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0851	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0852	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 very heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0853	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 very heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight capacity, 451 to 600 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0854	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 extra heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 601 pounds or more.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0855	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 extra heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight capacity 601 pounds or more.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0856	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 standard, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0857	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 standard, single power option, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0858	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 heavy duty, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0859	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 heavy duty, single power option, captains chair, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	K0860	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 very heavy duty, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0861	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 standard, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0862	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 heavy duty, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0863	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 very heavy duty, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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#	K0864	NU	Power wheelchair, group 3 extra heavy duty, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 601 pounds or more.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0868	NU	Power wheelchair, group 4 standard, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0869	NU	Power wheelchair, group 4 standard, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0870	NU	Power wheelchair, group 4 heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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#	K0871	NU	Power wheelchair, group 4 very heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0877	NU	Power wheelchair, group 4 standard, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0878	NU	Power wheelchair, group 4 standard, single power option, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0879	NU	Power wheelchair, group 4 heavy duty, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0880	NU	Power wheelchair, group 4 very heavy duty, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight 451 to 600 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0884	NU	Power wheelchair, group 4 standard, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0885	NU	Power wheelchair, group 4 standard, multiple power option, captains chair, weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0886	NU	Power wheelchair, group 4 heavy duty, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0890	NU	Power wheelchair, group 5 pediatric, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 125 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.
	K0891	NU	Power wheelchair, group 5 pediatric, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 125 pounds.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396 K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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	K0898	NU	Power wheelchair, not otherwise classified.	Yes	Not allowed in combination with E1228, E1297, E1298, E2340 – E2343, E2381 – E2396, K0056, E0978, E2366, K0051, K0052, E0995, K0037, K0040 – K0045, K0052, K0015, K0019, K0020, E0981 and E0982.

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### Special Size Wheelchairs - Power or Manual (Noncovered HCPCS Codes)

#	E1220		Wheelchair; specially sized or constructed (indicate brand name, model number, if any, and justification).		See code K0009 or K0014.
#	E1221		Wheelchair with fixed arm, footrests.		See codes K0001 - K0014.
#	E1222		Wheelchair with fixed arm, elevating legrests.		See codes K0001 - K0014.
#	E1223		Wheelchair with detachable arms, footrests.		See codes K0001 - K0014.
#	E1224		Wheelchair with detachable arms, elevating legrests.		See codes K0001 - K0014.
#	K0899	NU	Power mobility device, not coded by sadmerc or does not meet criteria.	Yes	

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# Wheelchair Modifications, Accessories, and Repairs

## Cushions

Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E2601		General use wheelchair seat cushion, width less than 22 inches, any depth.	Yes	
	E2602		General use wheelchair seat cushion, width 22 inches or greater, any depth.	Yes	
	E2603		Skin protection wheelchair seat cushion, width less than 22 inches, any depth.	Yes	
	E2604		Skin protection wheelchair seat cushion, width 22 inches or greater, any depth.	Yes	
	E2605		Positioning wheelchair seat cushion, width less than 22 inches, any depth.	Yes	
	E2606		Positioning wheelchair seat cushion, width 22 inches or greater, any depth.	Yes	

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E2607		Skin protection and positioning wheelchair seat cushion, width less than 22 inches, any depth.	Yes	
	E2608		Skin protection and positioning wheelchair seat cushion, width 22 inches or greater, any depth.	Yes	
	E2609		Custom fabricated wheelchair seat cushion, any size.	Yes	
	E2610		Wheelchair seat cushion, powered.	Yes	
	K0734		Skin protection wheelchair seat cushion, adjustable, width less than 22 inches, any depth.	Yes	
	K0735		Skin protection wheelchair seat cushion, adjustable, width 22 inches or greater, any depth.	Yes	
	K0736		Skin protection and positioning wheelchair seat cushion, adjustable, width less than 22 inches, any depth.	Yes	
	K0737		Skin protection and positioning wheelchair seat cushion, adjustable, width 22 inches or greater, any depth.	Yes	
	K0739		Repair or nonroutine service for durable medical equipment requiring the skill of a technician, labor	Yes	Replaced HCPCS Code E1340 January 1, 2010

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### Custom Frame Up-Charges

	E1014		Reclining back, addition to pediatric wheelchair.	Yes	
	E1225		Manual wheelchair accessory, semi-reclining back (recline greater than 15 degrees, but less than 80 degrees), each.	Yes	
	E1226		Manual wheelchair accessory, fully reclining back, each.	Yes	
	E1227		Special height arms for wheelchair (up-charge by construction).	Yes	
	E1228		Special back height for wheelchair.	Yes	
#	E1296		Special wheelchair seat height from floor.		See code K0056.
	E1297		Special wheelchair seat depth, by upholstery.	Yes	
	E1298		Special wheelchair seat depth and/or width, by construction.	Yes	
	E2201		Manual wheelchair accessory, nonstandard seat frame, width greater than or equal to 20 inches and less than 24 inches.	Yes	
	E2202		Manual wheelchair accessory, nonstandard seat frame width, 24-27 inches.	Yes	

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	E2203		Manual wheelchair accessory, nonstandard seat frame depth, 20 to less than 22 inches.	Yes	
	E2204		Manual wheelchair accessory, nonstandard seat frame depth, 22 to 25 inches.	Yes	
	E2340		Power wheelchair accessory, nonstandard seat frame width, 20-23 inches.	Yes	
	E2341		Power wheelchair accessory, nonstandard seat frame width, 24-27 inches.	Yes	
	E2342		Power wheelchair accessory, nonstandard seat frame depth, 20 or 21 inches.	Yes	
	E2343		Power wheelchair accessory, nonstandard seat frame depth, 22-25 inches.	Yes	
	K0056		Seat height less than 17 inches or equal to or greater than 21 inches for a high strength, lightweight, or ultralightweight wheelchair.	Yes	

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### Armrests and Parts

	E0973		Wheelchair accessory, adjustable height, detachable armrest, complete assembly, each.	Yes	
	E0994		Armrest, each (replacement only).	Yes	
	E2209		Wheelchair Accessory, Arm Trough, Each (includes attaching hardware).	Yes	
	K0015		Detachable, nonadjustable height armrest, each.	Yes	
	K0017		Detachable, adjustable height armrest, base, each (replacement only).	Yes	
	K0018		Detachable, adjustable height armrest, upper portion, each (replacement only).	Yes	
	K0019		Arm pad, each (replacement only).	Yes	
	K0020		Fixed, adjustable height armrest, pair.	Yes	

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### Lower Extremity Positioning (legrests, etc.)

	E0951		Heel loop/holder, with or without ankle strap, each.	Yes	
	E0952		Toe loop/holder each.	Yes	
	E0990		Wheelchair accessory, elevating leg rest, complete assembly, each.	Yes	
	E0995		Wheelchair accessory, calf rest/pad, each.	Yes	
	K0037		High mount flip-up footrest, each.	Yes	
	K0038		Leg strap, each.	Yes	
	K0039		Leg strap, H style, each.	Yes	
	K0040		Adjustable angle footplate, each.	Yes	
	K0041		Large size footplate, each.	Yes	
	K0042		Standard size footplate, each	Yes	
	K0043		Footrest, lower extension tube, each.	Yes	
	K0044		Footrest, upper hanger bracket, each (replacement).	Yes	
	K0045		Footrest, complete assembly.	Yes	
	K0046		Elevating legrest, lower extension tube, each.	Yes	

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	K0047		Elevating legrest, upper hanger bracket, each (replacement).	Yes	
	K0050		Ratchet assembly (replacement).	Yes	
	K0051		Cam release assembly, footrest or legrest, each (replacement).	Yes	
	K0052		Swingaway, detachable footrests, each.	Yes	
	K0053		Elevating footrests, articulating (telescoping), each.	Yes	

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### Seating and Positioning

	E0950		Wheelchair accessory, tray, each (includes all attaching hardware).	Yes	
	E0955		Wheelchair accessory, headrest, cushioned, prefabricated, including (all standard) mounting hardware, each.	Yes	
	E0956		Wheelchair accessory, lateral trunk or hip support, prefabricated, including fixed mounting hardware, each.	Yes	
	E0957		Wheelchair accessory, medial-thigh support, prefabricated, including fixed mounting hardware, each.	Yes	
	E0960		Wheelchair accessory, shoulder harness/straps or chest strap, including any type mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E0978		Wheelchair accessory, safety belt/pelvic strap, each.	Yes	
	E0980		Safety vest, wheelchair.	Yes	
	E0981		Wheelchair accessory, seat upholstery, replacement only, each.	Yes	
	E0982		Wheelchair accessory, back upholstery, replacement only, each.	Yes	

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	E0992		Manual wheelchair accessory, solid seat insert.	Yes	
#	E2230		Manual wheelchair accessory, manual standing system.		
	E2231		Manual wheelchair accessory, solid seat support base (replaces sling seat), includes any type mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2291		Back, planar, for pediatric size wheelchair including fixed attaching hardware.	Yes	
	E2292		Seat, planar, for pediatric size wheelchair including fixed attaching hardware.	Yes	
	E2293		Back, contoured, for pediatric size wheelchair including fixed attaching hardware.	Yes	
	E2294		Seat, contoured, for pediatric size wheelchair including fixed attaching hardware.	Yes	
#	E2295		Manual wheelchair accessory, for pediatric size wheelchair, dynamic seating frame, allows coordinated movement of multiple positioning features.		
	E2611		General use wheelchair back cushion, width less than 22 inches, any height, including any type mounting hardware.	Yes	

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	E2612		General use wheelchair back cushion, width 22 inches or greater, any height, including any type mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2613		Positioning wheelchair back cushion, posterior, width less than 22 inches, any height, including any type mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2614		Positioning wheelchair back cushion, posterior, width 22 inches or greater, any height, including any type mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2615		Positioning wheelchair back cushion, posterior-lateral, width less than 22 inches, any height, including any type mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2616		Positioning wheelchair back, posterior-lateral, width 22 inches or greater, any height, including any type mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2617		Custom fabricated wheelchair back cushion, any size, including any type mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2620		Positioning wheelchair back cushion, planar back with lateral supports, width less than 22 inches, any height, including any type mounting hardware.	Yes	

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	E2621		Positioning wheelchair back cushion, planar back with lateral supports, width 22 inches or greater, any height, including any type mounting hardware.	Yes	
#	K0669		Wheelchair accessory, wheelchair seat or back cushion, does not meet specific code criteria or no written coding verification from SADMERC.	Yes	

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### Hand rims, Wheels, and Tires (includes parts)

	E0967		Manual wheelchair accessory, hand rim with projections, each.	Yes	
	E2211		Manual wheelchair accessory, pneumatic propulsion tire, any size, each.	Yes	
	E2212		Manual wheelchair accessory, tube for pneumatic propulsion tire, any size, each.	Yes	
	E2213		Manual wheelchair accessory, insert for pneumatic propulsion tire (removable), any type, any size, each.	Yes	
	E2214		Manual wheelchair accessory, pneumatic caster tire, any size, each.	Yes	
	E2215		Manual wheelchair accessory, tube for pneumatic caster tire, any size, each.	Yes	
	E2216		Manual wheelchair accessory, foam filled propulsion tire, any size, each.	Yes	
	E2217		Manual wheelchair accessory, foam filled caster tire, any size, each.	Yes	
	E2218		Manual wheelchair accessory, foam propulsion tire, any size, each.	Yes	
	E2219		Manual wheelchair accessory, foam caster tire, any size, each. Code Added.	Yes	

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	E2220		Manual wheelchair accessory, solid (rubber/plastic) propulsion tire, any size, each.	Yes	
	E2221		Manual wheelchair accessory, solid (rubber/plastic) caster tire (removable), any size, each.	Yes	
	E2222		Manual wheelchair accessory, solid (rubber/plastic) caster tire with integrated wheel, any size, each.	Yes	
D	E2223		<del>Manual wheelchair accessory, valve, any type, replacement only, each.</del>	<del>Yes</del>	Discontinued January 1, 2010
	E2224		Manual wheelchair accessory, propulsion wheel excludes tire, any size, each.	Yes	
	E2225		Manual wheelchair accessory, caster wheel excludes tire, any size, replacement only, each.	Yes	
	E2226		Manual wheelchair accessory, caster fork, any size, replacement only, each.	Yes	
N	E2227		Manual wheelchair accessory, gear reduction drive wheel, each.	Yes	
#	E2228		Manual wheelchair accessory, wheel braking system and lock.		
	E2381		Power wheelchair accessory, pneumatic drive wheel tire, any size, replacement only, each	Yes	
	E2382		Power wheelchair accessory, tube for pneumatic drive wheel tire, any size, replacement only, each	Yes	

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	E2383		Power wheelchair accessory, insert for pneumatic drive wheel tire (removable), any type, any size, replacement only, each	Yes	
	E2384		Power wheelchair accessory, pneumatic caster tire, any size, replacement only, each	Yes	
	E2385		Power wheelchair accessory, tube for pneumatic caster tire, any size, replacement only, each	Yes	
	E2386		Power wheelchair accessory, foam filled drive wheel tire, any size, replacement only, each	Yes	
	E2387		Power wheelchair accessory, foam filled caster tire, any size, replacement only, each	Yes	
	E2388		Power wheelchair accessory, foam drive wheel tire, any size, replacement only, each.	Yes	
	E2389		Power wheelchair accessory, foam caster tire, any size, replacement only, each.	Yes	
	E2390		Power wheelchair accessory, solid (rubber/plastic) drive wheel tire, any size, replacement only, each.	Yes	
	E2391		Power wheelchair accessory, solid (rubber/plastic) caster tire (removable), any size, replacement only, each.	Yes	

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	E2392		Power wheelchair accessory, solid (rubber/plastic) caster tire with integrated wheel, any size, replacement only, each.	Yes	
D	<del>E2393</del>		<del>Power wheelchair accessory, valve for pneumatic tire tube, any type, replacement only, each.</del>	<del>Yes</del>	Discontinued January 1, 2010
	E2394		Power wheelchair accessory, drive wheel excludes tire, any size, replacement only, each.	Yes	
	E2395		Power wheelchair accessory, caster wheel excludes tire, any size, replacement only, each.	Yes	
	E2396		Power wheelchair accessory, caster fork, any size, replacement only, each.	Yes	
	K0065		Spoke protectors, each.	Yes	
	K0069		Rear wheel assembly, complete, with solid tire, spokes or molded, each.	Yes	
	K0070		Rear wheel assembly, complete with pneumatic tire, spokes or molded, each.	Yes	
	K0071		Front caster assembly, complete, with pneumatic tire, each.	Yes	
	K0072		Front caster assembly, complete, with semipneumatic tire, each.	Yes	
	K0073		Caster pin lock, each.	Yes	
	K0077		Front caster assembly, complete, with solid tire, each.	Yes	

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### Other Accessories (manual and power)

	E0958		Manual wheelchair accessory, one-arm drive attachment, each.	Yes	
	E0959		Manual wheelchair accessory, adapter for amputee, each.	Yes	
	E0961		Manual wheelchair accessory, wheel lock brake extension (handle), each.	Yes	Changed from pair to each with new description.
	E0971		Manual wheelchair accessory, anti-tipping device, each.	Yes	
	E0974		Manual wheelchair accessory, anti-rollback device, each.	Yes	Changed from pair to each with new description.
	E1015		Shock absorber for manual wheelchair, each.	Yes	
	E1017		Heavy duty shock absorber for heavy duty or extra heavy duty manual wheelchair, each.	Yes	
	E1020		Residual limb support system for wheelchair.	Yes	
	E1029		Wheelchair accessory, ventilator tray, fixed.	Yes	
	E1030		Wheelchair accessory, ventilator tray, gimbaled.	Yes	

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E2206		Manual wheelchair accessory, wheel lock assembly, complete, each.	Yes	
	E2207		Wheelchair accessory, crutch and cane holder, each.	Yes	
	E2208		Wheelchair accessory, cylinder tank carrier, each.	Yes	
	K0105		IV hanger, each.	Yes	
	K0108		Other accessories.	Yes	

### Manual Wheelchair Conversions

	E0983		Manual wheelchair accessory, power add-on to convert manual wheelchair to motorized wheelchair, joystick control.	Yes	
	E0984		Manual wheelchair accessory, power add-on to convert manual wheelchair to motorized wheelchair, tiller control.	Yes	
	E0985		Wheelchair accessory, seat lift mechanism.	Yes	
	E0986		Manual wheelchair accessory, push-rim activated power assist, each.	Yes	
	E1065		Power attachment (to convert any wheelchair to motorized wheelchair, e.g., Solo).	Yes	

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**Power Wheelchair Add-on Functions and Controls**

	E1002		Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, tilt only.	Yes	
	E1003		Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, recline only, without shear reduction.	Yes	
	E1004		Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, recline only, with mechanical shear reduction.	Yes	
	E1005		Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, recline only, with power shear reduction.	Yes	
	E1006		Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, combination tilt and recline, without shear reduction.	Yes	
	E1007		Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, combination tilt and recline, with mechanical shear reduction.	Yes	
	E1008		Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, combination tilt and recline, with power shear reduction.	Yes	

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	E1009		Wheelchair accessory, addition to power seating system, mechanically linked leg elevation system, including pushrod and legrest, each.	Yes	
	E1010		Wheelchair accessory, addition to power seating system, power leg elevation system, including leg rest, each.	Yes	
	E1016		Shock absorber for power wheelchair, each.	Yes	
	E1018		Heavy duty shock absorber for heavy duty or extra heavy duty power wheelchair, each.	Yes	
	E1028		Wheelchair accessory, manual swingaway, retractable or removable mounting hardware for joystick, other control interface or positioning accessory.	Yes	
	E2300		Power wheelchair accessory, power seat elevation system.	Yes	
	E2301		Power wheelchair accessory, power standing system.	Yes	
	E2310		Power wheelchair accessory, electronic connection between wheelchair controller & one power seating system motor, including all related electronics, indicator feature, mechanical function selection switch, and fixed mounting hardware.	Yes	

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	E2311		Power wheelchair accessory, electronic connection between wheelchair controller and two or more power seating system motors, including all related electronics, indicator feature, mechanical function selection switch, and fixed mounting hardware.	Yes	
N	E2312		Power wheelchair accessory, hand or chin control interface, mini-proportional remote joystick, proportional, including fixed mounting hardware.	Yes	
N	E2313		Power wheelchair accessory, harness for upgrade to expandable controller, including all fasteners, connectors and mounting hardware, each.	Yes	
	E2321		Power wheelchair accessory, hand control interface, remote joystick, nonproportional, including all related electronics, mechanical stop switch, and fixed mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2322		Power wheelchair accessory, hand control interface, multiple mechanical switches, nonproportional, including all related electronics, mechanical stop switch, and fixed mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2323		Power wheelchair accessory, specialty joystick handle for hand control interface, prefabricated.	Yes	

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E2324		Power wheelchair accessory, chin cup for chin control interface.	Yes	
	E2325		Power wheelchair accessory, sip and puff interface, nonproportional, including all related electronics, mechanical stop switch, and manual swingaway mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2326		Power wheelchair accessory, breath tube kit for sip and puff interface.	Yes	
	E2327		Power wheelchair accessory, head control interface, mechanical, proportional, including all related electronics, mechanical direction change switch, and fixed mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2328		Power wheelchair accessory, head control or extremity control interface, electronic, proportional, including all related electronics and fixed mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2329		Power wheelchair accessory, head control interface, contact switch mechanism, nonproportional, including all related electronics, mechanical stop switch, mechanical direction change switch, head array, and fixed mounting hardware.	Yes	

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E2330		Power wheelchair accessory, head control interface, proximity switch mechanism, nonproportional, including all related electronics, mechanical stop switch, mechanical direction change switch, head array, and fixed mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2331		Power wheelchair accessory, attendant control, proportional, including all related electronics and fixed mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2351		Power wheelchair accessory, electronic interface to operate speech generating device using power wheelchair control interface.	Yes	
	E2373		Power wheelchair accessory, hand or chin control interface, mini-proportional, compact, or short throw remote joystick or touchpad, proportional, including all related electronics and fixed mounting hardware.	Yes	
	E2374		Power wheelchair accessory, hand or chin control interface, standard remote joystick (not including controller), proportional, including all related electronics and fixed mounting hardware, replacement only.	Yes	

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E2375		Power wheelchair accessory, non-expandable controller, including all related electronics and mounting hardware, replacement only.	Yes	
	E2376		Power wheelchair accessory, expandable controller, including all related electronics and mounting hardware, replacement only.	Yes	
	E2377		Power wheelchair accessory, expandable controller, including all related electronics and mounting hardware, upgrade provided at initial issue.	Yes	
D	E2399		<del>Power wheelchair accessory, not otherwise classified interface, including all related electronics and any type mounting hardware.</del>	<del>Yes</del>	Discontinued January 1, 2010

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
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### Batteries and Chargers

	E2360		Power wheelchair accessory, 22 NF non-sealed lead acid battery, each.	Yes	
	E2361		Power wheelchair accessory, 22 NF sealed lead acid battery, each (e.g. gel cell, absorbed glassmat).	Yes	
	E2363		Power wheelchair accessory, group 24 sealed lead acid battery, each (e.g. gel cell, absorbed glassmat).	Yes	
	E2365		Power wheelchair accessory, U-1sealed lead acid battery, each (e.g. gell cell, absorbed glassmat).	Yes	
	E2366		Power wheelchair accessory, battery charger, single mode, for use with only one battery type, sealed or non-sealed, each.	Yes	
	E2367		Power wheelchair accessory, battery charger, dual mode, for use with either battery type, sealed or non-sealed, each.	Yes	
	E2371		Power wheelchair accessory, group 27 sealed lead acid battery, (e.g. gell cell, absorbed glassmat), each.	Yes	

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Code Status Indicator	HCPCS Code	Modifier	Description	PA?	Policy/ Comments
	E2372		Power wheelchair accessory, group 27 non-sealed lead acid battery, each.	Yes	
#	E2397		Power wheelchair accessory, lithium-based battery, each.		
	K0733		Power wheelchair accessory, 12 to 24 amp hour sealed lead acid battery, each (e.g., gel cell, absorbed glassmat).	Yes	

### Miscellaneous Repair Only

	E1011		Modification to pediatric wheelchair, width adjustment package (not to be dispensed with initial chair).	Yes	
D	<del>E1340</del>		<del>Repair or nonroutine service for durable medical equipment requiring the skill of a technician, labor component, per 15 minutes. (Troubleshooting, delivery, evaluations, travel time, etc. are included in the reimbursement for the parts and accessories.)</del>	Yes	Discontinued Replaced with K0739 January 1, 2010
	E2205		Manual wheelchair accessory, hand rim without projections, any type, replacement only, each.	Yes	
	E2210		Wheelchair accessory, bearings, any type, replacement only, each.	Yes	
	E2368		Power wheelchair component, motor, replacement only.	Yes	

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	E2369		Power wheelchair component, gear box, replacement only.	Yes	
	E2370		Power wheelchair component, motor and gear box combination, replacement only.	Yes	
	E2619		Replacement cover for wheelchair seat cushion or back cushion, each.	Yes	
	K0098		Drive belt for power wheelchair.	Yes	

## Accessories (Noncovered HCPCS Codes)

#	E0177		Water pressure pad or cushion, nonpositioning.		
#	E0966		Manual wheelchair accessory, headrest extension, each.		
#	E0968		Commode seat, wheelchair.		
#	E0969		Narrowing device, wheelchair.		
#	E0970		No. 2 footplates, except for elevating legrest.		See codes K0037 and K0042.
#	E2362		Power wheelchair accessory, group 24 non-sealed lead acid battery, each.		
#	E2364		Power wheelchair accessory, U-1 non-sealed lead acid battery, each.		
#	K0195		Elevating leg rest, pair (for use with capped rental wheelchair base).		

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# Provider Requirements

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## Who is eligible for reimbursement by HRSA for providing Wheelchairs, DME, and Related Supplies and Services?

(Refer to WAC 388-543-1200)

- HRSA requires a provider who supplies DME and related supplies and services to an HRSA client to meet all of the following.

The provider must:

- ✓ Have a core provider agreement with HRSA;
  - ✓ Have the proper business license;
  - ✓ Have appropriately trained qualified staff; and
  - ✓ Be certified, licensed and/or bonded if required, to perform the services billed to HRSA.
- HRSA may reimburse qualified providers for DME and related supplies, repairs, and related services on a fee-for-service (FFS) basis as follows:
    - ✓ DME providers for DME and related repair services;
    - ✓ Medical equipment dealers, pharmacies, and home health agencies under their medical vendor provider number for medical supplies, subject to the limitations in this billing instruction; and
    - ✓ Physicians who provide medical equipment and supplies in the physician's office. HRSA may pay separately for medical supplies, subject to the provisions in HRSA's resource based relative value scale (RBRVS) fee schedule.
  - HRSA terminates from Medicaid participation any provider who violates program regulations and policies, as described in WAC 388-502-0020.

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# Authorization

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## What is prior authorization?

Prior authorization (PA) is DSHS's approval for certain medical services, equipment, or supplies, before the services are provided to clients, as a precondition for provider reimbursement. **Expedited prior authorization (EPA) and limitation extensions are forms of prior authorization.**

## Which items and services require prior authorization?

[Refer to WAC 388-543-1600]

DSHS bases its determination about which durable medical equipment (DME) and related supplies and services require PA or expedited prior authorization (EPA) on utilization criteria. DSHS considers all of the following when establishing utilization criteria:

- High cost;
- Potential for utilization abuse;
- Narrow therapeutic indication; and
- Safety.

DSHS requires providers to obtain PA for the following:

- Augmentative communication devices (ACDs);
- Certain By Report (BR) DME and supplies as specified in this billing instruction;
- Blood glucose monitors requiring special features;
- Certain equipment rentals as specified in this billing instruction;
- Decubitus care products and supplies;
- Equipment parts and labor charges for repairs or modifications and related services;
- Orthopedic shoes and selected orthotics;
- Positioning car seats for children under five years of age;
- Wheelchairs, wheelchair accessories, wheelchair modifications, air, foam, and gel cushions, and repairs;
- Wheelchair-style shower/commode chairs;
- Other DME not specifically listed in this billing instruction and submitted as a miscellaneous procedure code; and
- Limitation extensions.



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DSHS requires providers to obtain PA for the following items and services **if the provider fails to meet the expedited prior authorization criteria in this billing instruction** (See “*What is expedited prior authorization?*” within this section ). This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Decubitus care mattresses, including flotation or gel mattress;
- Hospital beds;
- Low air loss flotation system;
- Osteogenic stimulator, noninvasive; and
- Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulators.

### General Policies for Prior Authorization (PA) [WAC 388-543-1800]

For PA requests, DSHS requires the prescribing provider to furnish patient-specific justification for base equipment and each requested line item accessory or modification as identified by the manufacturer as a separate charge. DSHS does not accept general standards of care or industry standards for generalized equipment as justification.

- When DSHS receives an initial request for PA, the prescription(s) for those items or services cannot be older than three months from the date DSHS receives the request.

All written authorization requests must include a prescription as follows:

- The prescription must be written by a physician, advanced registered nurse practitioner (ARNP), or physician assistant certified (PAC).

**Exception:** Dual eligible Medicare/Medicaid clients where Medicare is the primary payer and DSHS is billed for co-pay and/or deductible only.

- The prescriber must use the Health and Recovery Services (HRSA) Prescription Form, DSHS 13-794 to write the prescription. The form is available for download at <http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/msa/forms/eforms.html> and
- The prescription (DSHS 13-794) must:
  - ✓ Be signed and dated by the prescriber;
  - ✓ Must be dated less than one year from the date the prescriber signs the prescription; and
  - ✓ State the specific item or service requested, diagnosis, estimated length of need (weeks, months, or years), and quantity.

**Note:** Effective March 1, 2008 DSHS began enforcing the requirement of the prescription form for all new prescriptions in accordance with WAC 388-543-

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**Note:** For prescriptions

- Prescriber's signature must have credentials and currently we do not accept stamped or electronic signatures;
- Should be legible;
- The signature date is the valid date of the prescription;
- For a new request - prescriptions can be no older than 90 days;
- For extensions - prescriptions must be less than 1 year old.

DSHS requires certain forms to be completed by the prescriber and therapist (if applicable) for specific equipment. These include:

- #13-729 Physical/Occupational Therapy Wheelchair Evaluation Form for Nursing Facility;
- #13-727 Wheelchair Purchase Evaluation Form (for home clients only );
- #13-726 Negative Pressure Wound Therapy;
- #13-728 Low Air-Loss Therapy Systems;
- #13-747 Hospital Bed Evaluation;
- #15-310 Speech Language Pathologist (SLP) Evaluation For speech Generating Devices;
- Nonrequired Forms (may be submitted to provide the medical evidence necessary to make a decision):

For Other DME, use Durable Medical Equipment form, DSHS 13-831.

All forms must be complete (no blanks) and must be signed by the clinician (to include credentials).

These forms can be downloaded by visiting DSHS/HRSA online at:

<http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/msa/forms/eforms.html>

If a letter of medical necessity (LMN) is obtained for the services provided please remember the following:

- The letter must be signed and dated by the clinician (to include credentials);
- When using chart notes, they must be signed and dated by the clinician (to include credentials);

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- The letter should include client specific justification for the service and all related accessories/items;
- The prescription must be dated prior to LMN and/or chart notes used as a LMN;
- There should be documentation in the client's file of tried and failed less costly alternatives.

DSHS requires certain information from providers in order to prior authorize the purchase or rental of equipment. This information includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- The manufacturer's name;
- The equipment model and serial number;
- A detailed description of the item; and
- Any modifications required, including the product or accessory number as shown in the manufacturer's catalog.

DSHS authorizes by report (BR) items that require PA and are listed in the fee schedule (<http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/RBRVS/Index.html>) only if medical necessity is established and the provider furnishes all of the following information to DSHS:

- A detailed description of the item or service to be provided;
- The cost or charge for the item;
- A copy of the manufacturer's invoice, price-list or catalog with the product description for the item being provided; and
- A detailed explanation of how the requested item differs from an already existing code description.

DSHS does not reimburse for purchase, rental, or repair of medical equipment that duplicates equipment the client already owns or rents. If the requesting provider makes such a request, DSHS requires the provider to request PA and explain the following:

- Why the existing equipment no longer meets the client's medical needs; or
- Why the existing equipment could not be repaired or modified to meet those medical needs.

DSHS requires PA for all equipment repairs. When submitting a PA request for equipment repair the equipment must have a serial number. If the equipment did not come with a serial number, or the number is no longer legible, or the serial number is no longer on the equipment, then the provider must assign a new one, attach it to the equipment and inform DSHS on their company letterhead.

A provider may resubmit a request for PA for an item or service that DSHS has denied. DSHS requires the provider to include new documentation that is relevant to the request.

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DSHS authorizes rental equipment for a specific period of time. The provider must request authorization from DSHS for any extension of the rental period.

- **Note:** If a provider does not obtain prior authorization, DSHS will deny the claim, and the client cannot be held financially responsible for the service.

The authorization number will be released for equipment that has received prior authorization after DSHS has been provided:

- The date of delivery; and
- The serial number of the equipment

This may be provided by contacting the DME toll-free line or by faxing or mailing the information to the DME Authorization Unit.

### Authorization Extensions

DSHS requires that providers request an authorization extension when the standard approval period of 3 months for written requests and 1 month for telephone requests has been exceeded.

Providers must submit a request for an authorization extension for the following:

- Written requests have gone beyond 3 months from the date of approval; or
- Telephone requests have gone beyond 1 month from the date of approval, unless otherwise specified.

DSHS denies claims submitted past the approval period if an authorization extension has not been granted.

- DSHS does not reimburse for purchase, rental, or repair of medical equipment that duplicates equipment the client already owns or rents. If the requesting provider makes such a request, DSHS requires the provider to submit for PA and explain the following:
  - ✓ Why the existing equipment no longer meets the client's medical needs; or
  - ✓ Why the existing equipment could not be repaired or modified to meet those medical needs.

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- A provider may resubmit a request for PA for an item or service that DSHS has denied. DSHS requires the provider to include new documentation that is relevant to the request.
- DSHS authorizes rental equipment for a specific period of time. The provider must request authorization from DSHS for any extension of the rental period.

**Note:** Written requests for prior authorization must be submitted to DSHS on a CMS-1500 Claim Form with the date of service left blank and a copy of the prescription attached.

### What is a Limitation Extension?

A limitation extension is when DSHS allows additional units of service for a client when the provider can verify that the additional units of service are medically necessary. Limitation extensions require authorization.

**Note:** Requests for limitation extensions must be appropriate to the client's eligibility and/or program limitations. Not all eligibility groups cover all services.

### How do I request a limitation extension?

In cases where the provider feels that additional services are still medically necessary for the client, the provider must request DSHS-approval in writing.

#### The request must state the following in writing:

1. The name and PIC number of the client;
2. The provider's name, provider number and fax number;
3. Additional service(s) requested;
4. Copy of last prescription and date dispensed;
5. The primary diagnosis code and HCPCS code; and
6. Client-specific clinical justification for additional services.

#### Send your written request for a limitation extension to:

**Write:**

Division of Medical Benefits and Care Management  
DME Program Management Unit  
PO Box 45506  
Olympia, WA 98504-5506  
1-360-586-5299 (fax)

## What is Expedited Prior Authorization (EPA)?

The expedited prior authorization process is designed to eliminate the need for written and telephone requests for prior authorization for selected durable medical equipment (DME) procedure codes. DSHS allows payment during a continuous 12-month period for this process.

To bill DSHS for DME that meet the EPA criteria on the following pages, the vendor must create a 9-digit EPA number. The first 6 digits of the EPA number must be **870000**. The last 3 digits must be the code number of the product and documented medical condition that meets the EPA criteria.

Enter the EPA number on the CMS-1500 Claim Form in the **Authorization Number** field or in the **Authorization** or **Comments** field when billing electronically. With HIPAA implementation, multiple authorization (prior/expedited) numbers can be billed on a claim. If you are billing **multiple** EPA numbers, you must list the 9-digit EPA numbers in **field 19** of the claim form **exactly** as follows (*not all required fields are represented in the example*):

19. Line 1: 870000725/ Line 2: 870000726
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If you are only billing one EPA number on a paper CMS-1500 Claim Form, please continue to list the 9-digit EPA number in field 23 of the claim form.

**Example:** The 9-digit EPA number for rental of a semi-electric hospital bed for a client that meets all of the EPA criteria would be **870000725** (870000 = first 6 digits, 725 = product and documented medical condition).

<b>Reminder:</b> EPA numbers are only for those products listed on the following pages.
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EPA numbers are not valid for:

- Other DME requiring prior authorization through the DME program;
- Products for which the documented medical condition does not meet **all** of the specified criteria; or
- Over-limitation requests.

DSHS requires request for prior authorization process must be used when a situation does not meet the criteria for a selected DME code, or a requested rental exceeds the limited rental period indicated. Providers must submit the request to the DME Program Management Unit or call the authorization toll-free number at 1-800-292-8064 (see *Important Contacts* section). [WAC 388-543-1900(3)]

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### Expedited Prior Authorization Guidelines:

- A. **Medical Justification (criteria)** - All information must come from the client's prescribing physician or therapist with an appropriately completed prescription. DSHS does not accept information obtained from the client or from someone on behalf of the client (e.g. family).
  
- B. **Documentation** - The billing provider **must keep** documentation of the criteria in the client's file. Upon request, a provider must provide documentation to DSHS showing how the client's condition met the criteria for EPA. Keep documentation file for six (6) years. [Refer to WAC 388-543-1900(4)]

**Note:** DSHS may recoup any payment made to a provider under this section if the provider did not follow the expedited authorization process and criteria. Refer to [WAC 388-502-0100], [WAC 388-543-1900(5)]

**EPA Criteria Coding List**

Code	Criteria	Code	Criteria
<b>RENTAL MANUAL WHEELCHAIRS</b>		<b>Procedure Code: K0006 RR</b>	
<b>Procedure Code: K0001 RR</b>		<b>710</b>	<b>Heavy-duty Manual Wheelchair with all styles of arms, footrests, and/or legrests</b>
<b>700</b>	<b>Standard manual wheelchair with all styles of arms, footrest, and/or legrests</b>		Up to 2 months continuous rental in a 12-month period if <b>all</b> of the following criteria are met. The client:
	Up to 2 months continuous rental in a 12-month period if <b>all</b> of the following criteria are met. The client:		1) Weighs over 250 lbs.;
	1) Weighs 250 lbs. or less;		2) Requires a wheelchair to participate in normal daily activities;
	2) Requires a wheelchair to participate in normal daily activities;		3) Has a medical condition that renders him/her totally non-weight bearing or is unable to use other aids to mobility, such as crutches or walker (reason must be documented in the client's file);
	3) Has a medical condition that renders him/her totally non-weight bearing or is unable to use other aids to mobility, such as crutches or walker (reason must be documented in the client's file);		4) Does <b>not</b> have a rental hospital bed; and
	4) Does <b>not</b> have a rental hospital bed; and		5) Has a length of need, as determined by the prescribing physician, that is less than 6 months.
	5) Has a length of need, as determined by the prescribing physician, that is less than 6 months.		
<b>Procedure Code: K0003 RR</b>		<b>Procedure Code: E1060 RR</b>	
<b>705</b>	<b>Lightweight Manual Wheelchair with all styles of arms, footrests, and/or legrests</b>	<b>715</b>	<b>Fully Reclining Manual Wheelchair with detachable arms, desk or full-length and swing-away or elevating legrests</b>
	Up to 2 months continuous rental in a 12-month period if <b>all</b> of the following criteria are met. The client:		Up to 2 months continuous rental in a 12-month period if <b>all</b> of the following criteria are met. The client:
	1) Weighs 250 lbs. or less;		1) Requires a wheelchair to participate in normal daily activities and is unable to use other aids to mobility, such as crutches or walker (reason must be documented in the client's file);
	2) Can self-propel the lightweight wheelchair and is unable to propel a standard weight wheelchair;		2) Has a medical condition that does not allow them to sit upright in a standard or lightweight wheelchair (must be documented);
	3) Has a medical condition that renders him/her totally non-weight bearing or is unable to use other aids to mobility, such as crutches or walker (reason must be documented in the client's file);		3) Does <b>not</b> have a rental hospital bed; and
	4) Does <b>not</b> have a rental hospital bed; and		4) Has a length of need, as determined by the prescribing physician, that is less than 6 months.
	5) Has a length of need, as determined by the prescribing physician, that is less than 6 months.		
			<b>Please see note on next page.</b>



**Note (For Rental Manual Wheelchairs):**

- 1) If the client's medical condition does not meet **all** of the specified criteria, prior authorization must be obtained by submitting a request to the DME program (see *Important Contacts*) or by calling the authorization toll-free number at 1-800-292-8064.
- 2) It is the vendors' responsibility to determine whether the client has already used the EPA rental period allowed under EPA criteria or if the client has already established rental through another vendor. The EPA rental is allowed only one time, per client, per 12-month period.
- 3) For extension of authorization beyond the EPA period, the normal prior authorization process is required. At this time, a new authorization number will be assigned.
- 4) Length of need/life expectancy, as determined by the prescribing physician, and medical justification (including **all** of the specified criteria) must be documented in the client's file.
- 5) If the client is hospitalized or is a resident of a nursing facility and is being discharged to a home setting, rental may not start until the date of discharge. Documentation of the date of discharge must be included in the client's file. Rentals for clients in a skilled nursing facility are included in the nursing facility daily rate, and in the hospital they are included in the Diagnoses Related Group (DRG) payment.
- 6) DSHS does not rent equipment during the time that a request for similar purchased equipment is being assessed, when authorized equipment is on order, or while the client-owned equipment is being repaired and/or modified. The vendor of service is expected to supply the client with an equivalent loaner.
- 7) You may bill for only one procedure code, per client, per month.
- 8) All accessories are included in the reimbursement of the wheelchair rental code. They may not be billed separately.

**RENTAL/PURCHASE HOSPITAL BEDS**

**Procedure Code: E0292 RR & E0310 RR OR E0305 RR**

**720 Manual Hospital Bed with mattress with or without bed rails**

Up to 11 months continuous rental in a 12-month period if **all** of the following criteria are met. The client:

- 1) Has a length of need/life expectancy that is 12 months or less;
- 2) Has a medical condition that requires positioning of the body that cannot be accomplished in a standard bed (reason must be documented in the client's file);
- 3) Has tried pillows, bolsters, and/or rolled up blankets/towels in client's own bed, and determined to not be effective in meeting client's positioning needs (nature of ineffectiveness must be documented in the client's file);
- 4) Has a medical condition that necessitates upper body positioning at no less than a 30-degree angle the majority of time he/she is in the bed;
- 5) Does not have full-time caregivers; and
- 6) Does **not** also have a rental wheelchair.

**Procedure Code: E0294 RR & E0310 RR OR E0305 RR**

**725 Semi-Electric Hospital Bed with mattress with or without Bed Rails**

Up to 11 months continuous rental in a 12-month period if **all** of the following criteria are met. The client:

- 1) Has a length of need/life expectancy that is 12 months or less;
- 2) Has tried pillows, bolsters, and/or rolled up blankets/towels in own bed, and determined ineffective in meeting positioning needs (nature of ineffectiveness must be documented in the client's file);

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- 3) Has a chronic or terminal condition such as COPD, CHF, lung cancer or cancer that has metastasized to the lungs, or other pulmonary conditions that cause the need for immediate upper body elevation;
- 4) Must be able to independently and safely operate the bed controls; and
- 5) Does **not** have a rental wheelchair.

### Note:

- 1) If the client's medical condition does not meet **all** of the specified criteria, prior authorization must be obtained by submitting a request to the DME program (see the *Important Contacts*) or by calling the authorization toll-free number at 800.292.8064.
- 2) It is the vendors' responsibility to determine whether the client has already used the EPA rental period allowed under EPA criteria or if the client has already established rental through another vendor. The EPA rental is allowed only one time, per client, per 12-month period.
- 3) Length of need/life expectancy, as determined by the prescribing physician, and medical justification (including all of the specified criteria) must be documented in the client's file. Monthly updates from the prescribing physician justifying continued rental, including length of need/life expectancy, must also be included in the client's file.
- 4) Authorization must be requested for the 12th month of rental at which time the equipment will be considered purchased. The authorization number will be pended for the serial number of the equipment. In such cases, the equipment the client has been using must have been new on or after the start of the rental contract or is documented to be in good working condition. A 1-year warranty will take effect as of the date the equipment is considered purchased if equipment is not new. Otherwise, normal manufacturer warranty will be applied.
- 5) If length of need is greater than 12 months, as stated by the prescribing physician, a prior authorization for purchase must be requested either in writing or via the toll-free line.

- 6) If the client is hospitalized or is a resident of a nursing facility and is being discharged to a home setting, rental may not start until the date of discharge. Documentation of the date of discharge must be included in the client's file. Rentals for clients in a skilled nursing facility are included in the nursing facility daily rate, and in the hospital they are included in the DRG payment.
- 7) DSHS does not rent equipment during the time that a request for similar purchased equipment is being assessed, when authorized equipment is on order, or while the client-owned equipment is being repaired and/or modified. The vendor of service is expected to supply the client with an equivalent loaner.
- 8) Hospital beds **will not** be provided:
  - a. As furniture;
  - b. To replace a client-owned waterbed;
  - c. For a client who does not own a standard bed with mattress, box spring, and frame; or
  - d. If the client's standard bed is in an area of the home that is currently inaccessible by the client such as an upstairs bedroom.
- 9) Only one type of bed rail is allowed with each rental.
- 10) Mattress may **not** be billed separately.
- 11) You must have a completed Hospital Bed Evaluation form (DSHS 13-747).

### Procedure Code: E0294 NU

#### 726 Semi-Electric Hospital Bed with mattress with or without bed rails

Initial purchase if **all** of the following criteria are met. The client:

- 1) Has a length of need/life expectancy that is 12 months or more;
- 2) Has tried positioning devices such as: pillows, bolsters, foam wedges, and/or rolled up blankets/towels in own bed, and been determined ineffective in meeting positioning needs (nature of ineffectiveness must be documented in the client's file);

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- 3) Has one of the following diagnosis:
- Quadriplegia;
  - Tetraplegia;
  - Duchenne's M.D.;
  - ALS;
  - Ventilator Dependant; or
  - COPD or CHF with aspiration risk or shortness of breath that causes the need for an immediate position change of more than 30 degrees.
- 4) Must be able to independently and safely operate the bed controls.

### Documentation Required:

- Life expectancy, in months and/or years.
- Client diagnosis including ICD-9-CM code.
- Date of delivery and serial #.
- Written documentation indicating client has not been previously provided a hospital bed, purchase or rental (i.e. written statement from client or caregiver).
- You **must** have a completed Hospital Bed Evaluation form (DSHS 13-747). (See page D.5)

### Note:

- If the client's medical condition does not meet **all** of the specified criteria, prior authorization must be obtained by submitting a request to the DME program (see the *Important Contacts*) or by calling the authorization toll-free number at 1-800-292-8064.
- This EPA criteria is to be used only for an initial purchase per client, per lifetime. It is not to be used for a replacement or if EPA rental has been used within the previous 24 months.
- It is the vendors' responsibility to determine if the client has not been previously provided a hospital bed, either purchase or rental.
- Hospital beds **will not** be covered:
  - As furniture;
  - To replace a client-owned waterbed;
  - For a client who does not own a standard bed with mattress, box spring and frame; or
  - If the client's standard bed is in an area of the home that is currently inaccessible by the client such as an upstairs bedroom.

### LOW AIR LOSS THERAPY SYSTEMS

#### Procedure Code: E0371 & E0372 RR

#### 730 Low Air Loss Mattress Overlay

Initial 30-day rental followed by one additional 30-day rental in a 12-month period if **all** of the following criteria are met. The client:

- Is bed-confined 20 hours per day during rental of therapy system;
- Has at least one stage 3 decubitus ulcer on trunk of body;
- Has acceptable turning and repositioning schedule;
- Has timely labs (every 30 days); and
- Has appropriate nutritional program to heal ulcers.

#### Procedure Code: E0277 & E0373 RR

#### 735 Low Air Loss Mattress without bed frame

Initial 30-day rental followed by an additional 30 days rental in a 12-month period if **all** of the following criteria are met. The client:

- Is bed-confined 20 hours per day during rental of therapy system;
- Has multiple stage 3/4 decubitus ulcers or one stage 3/4 with multiple stage 2 decubitus ulcers on trunk of body;
- Has ulcers on more than one turning side;
- Has acceptable turning and repositioning schedule;
- Has timely labs (every 30 days); and
- Has appropriate nutritional program to heal ulcers.

#### 740 Low Air Loss Mattress without bed frame

Initial 30-day rental in a 12-month period upon hospital discharge following a flap surgery.

Procedure Code: E0194 RR

**750 Air Fluidized Flotation System including bed frame**

Initial 30-day rental in a 12-month period upon hospital discharge following a flap surgery.

**For All Low Air Loss Therapy Systems**

**Documentation Required:**

- 1) A “Low Air Loss Therapy Systems” form must be completed for each rental segment and signed and dated by nursing staff in facility or client’s home (an electronic version can be obtained at <http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/msa/forms/eforms.htm>)
- 2) A new form must be completed for each rental segment.
- 3) A re-dated prior form will not be accepted.
- 4) A dated picture must accompany each form.

**Note:**

- 1) If the client’s medical condition does not meet **all** of the specified criteria, prior authorization must be obtained by submitting a request to the DME program (see the *Important Contacts*) or by calling the authorization toll-free number at 800.292.8064.
- 2) It is the vendors’ responsibility to determine whether the client has already used the EPA rental period allowed under EPA criteria or if the client has already established rental through another vendor. The EPA rental is allowed only one time, per client, per 12-month period.
- 3) For extension of authorization beyond the EPA period, prior authorization must be obtained either by submitting the request in writing or calling the toll-free authorization line. At this time a new authorization number will be assigned.

**NONINVASIVE BONE GROWTH/NERVE STIMULATORS**

Procedure Code: E0730 RR

**760 Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulator (TENS)**

Up to 2 months continuous rental in a 12-month period if **all** of the following criteria are met. The client:

- 1) Demonstrates a condition that is causing chronic intractable pain, defined as pain that is of long duration that has been difficult to manage;
- 2) Has a pain level documented at 6 or greater on a scale of one to 10;
- 3) Has a date of onset at least 6 months ago;
- 4) Has had no surgery within the previous 3 months;
- 5) Is receiving continual pain and/or anti-inflammatory medication;
- 6) Has had at least 5 physical therapy visits during the past 6 months with no perceptible improvement in pain relief or activity level; and
- 7) Has an objective of decreasing/ discontinuing medications and increasing level of activity.

Procedure Code: E0730 NU

**761 Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulator (TENS)**

Purchase unit after 2 months of EPA or prior authorized rental if **all** of the following criteria are met. The client:

- 1) Is using the unit 6 or more hours per day or 2 or more hours per day for the Alpha Stim brand;
- 2) Has a pain level documented at 5 or less on a scale of one to 10;
- 3) Has been a reduction in prescription medication use for chronic intractable pain condition; and
- 4) Has an increased activity level.

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Procedure Code: E0747 NU & E0760 NU

### 765 Non-Spinal Bone Growth Stimulator

Allowed **only** for purchase of brands that have pulsed electromagnetic field simulation (PEMF) when one or more of the following criteria is met. The client:

- 1) Has a nonunion of a long bone fracture (which includes clavicle, humerus, phalanges, radius, ulna, femur, tibia, fibula, metacarpal & metatarsal) after 6 months have elapsed since the date of injury without healing; or
- 2) Has a failed fusion of a joint other than in the spine where a minimum of 6 months has elapsed since the last surgery.

Procedure Code: E0748 NU

### 770 Spinal Bone Growth Stimulator

Allowed for purchase when the prescription is from a neurologist, an orthopedic surgeon, or a neurosurgeon and when one or more of the following criteria is met. The client:

- 1) Has a failed spinal fusion where a minimum of 9 months have elapsed since the last surgery; or
- 2) Is post-op from a multilevel spinal fusion surgery; or
- 3) Is post-op from spinal fusion surgery where there is a history of a previously failed spinal fusion.

**Note:**

- 1) If the client's medical condition does not meet **all** of the specified criteria, prior authorization must be obtained by submitting a request to the DME program (see the *Important Contacts*) or by calling the authorization toll-free number at 800.292.8064.
- 2) It is the vendors' responsibility to determine whether the client has already used the EPA rental period allowed under EPA criteria or if the client has already established rental through another vendor. The EPA rental is allowed only one time, per client, per 12-month period.
- 3) For extension of authorization beyond the EPA period, prior authorization must be obtained either by submitting the request in writing or calling the toll-free authorization line. At this time a new

authorization number will be assigned.

### MISCELLANEOUS DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Procedure Code: E0604 RR

### 800 Breast pump, electric

Unit may be rented for the following lengths of time and when the criteria are met. The client:

- 1) Has a maximum of 2 weeks during any 12-month period for engorged breasts;
- 2) Has a maximum of 3 weeks during any 12-month period if the client is on a regimen of antibiotics for a breast infection;
- 3) Has a maximum of 2 months during any 12-month period if the client has a newborn with a cleft palate; or
- 4) Has a maximum of 2 months during any 12-month period if the client meets **all** of the following:
  - a. Has a hospitalized premature newborn;
  - b. Has been discharged from the hospital; and
  - c. Is taking breast milk to hospital to feed newborn.

Procedure Code: E0935 RR

### 810 Continuous Passive Motion System (CPM)

Up to 10 days rental during any 12-month period, upon hospital discharge, when the client is diagnosed with one of the following:

- 1) Frozen joints;
- 2) Intra-articular tibia plateau fracture;
- 3) Anterior cruciate ligament injury; or
- 4) Total knee replacement.

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### Procedure Code: E0650 RR

#### 820 Extremity pump

Up to 2 months rental during a 12-month period for treatment of severe edema.

Purchase of the equipment should be requested and rental not allowed when equipment has been determined to be:

- 1) Medically effective;
- 2) Medically necessary; and
- 3) A long-term, permanent need.

### Procedure Code: E1399

#### 755 Prone stander, child size (child up to 48" tall). Includes padding, chest, and foot straps. Purchase of 1 every 5 years per client when the following criteria are met:

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

#### 756 Prone stander, youth size (child up to 58" tall). Includes padding, chest and foot straps. Purchase of 1 every 5 years per client when all of the following criteria are met:

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

#### 757 Prone stander, infant size (infant up to 38" tall). Includes padding, chest and foot straps. Purchase of 1 every 5 years per client when all of the following criteria are met:

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

#### 758 Prone stander, adult size (adult up to 75" tall). Includes padding, chest and foot straps. Limit of 1 per client every 5 years allowed when all of the following criteria are met:

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

#### 759 Shower, hand-held. Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

#### 764 Breast pump kit for electric breast pump. Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:

- 1) When needed for use with an authorized electric breast pump; (either prior authorization or EPA);
- 2) Client is not in a nursing facility.
- 3) Prescribed by a physician.
- 4) Client did not receive a kit at hospital.

### Procedure Code: E1399

#### 766 Bath seat without back. Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

#### 767 Heavy duty bath chair (for clients over 250lbs.) Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

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### Procedure Code: E1399

**771 Padded or unpadded shower/commode chair, wheeled, with casters. Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:**

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

**772 Adjustable bath seat with back. Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:**

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

**773 Adjustable bath/shower chair with back, padded seat. Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:**

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

**774 Pediatric bath chair; includes head pad, chest and leg straps. Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:**

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

**776 Youth bath chair, includes head pad, chest and leg straps. Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:**

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

**777 Adult bath chair, includes head pad, chest and leg straps. Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:**

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

**778 Potty chair, child, small/medium. Includes anterior/lateral support, hip strap, adjustable seat/back. Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:**

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Procedure Code: E1399

**779 Potty chair, child, large. Includes anterior/lateral support, hip strap, adjustable seat/back. Purchase allowed when all of the following criteria are met:**

- 1) Prescribed by a physician
- 2) Client does not reside in a nursing facility.

### Note:

- 1) If the client's medical condition does not meet **all** of the specified criteria, prior authorization must be obtained by submitting a request to the DME program (see the *Important Contacts*) or by calling the authorization toll-free number at 800.292.8064.
- 2) It is the vendors' responsibility to determine whether the client has already used the EPA rental period allowed under EPA criteria or if the client has already established rental through another vendor. The EPA rental is allowed only one time, per client, per 12-month period.
- 3) For extension of authorization beyond the EPA period, prior authorization must be obtained either by submitting the request in writing or calling the toll-free authorization line. At this time a new authorization number will be assigned.

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# Reimbursement

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## General Reimbursement for DME and Related Supplies and Services [Refer to WAC 388-543-1400(1-5)]

- HRSA reimburses a qualified provider who serves a client who is not enrolled in a department-contracted managed care plan only when all of the following apply:
  - ✓ The provider meets all of the conditions in WAC 388-502-0100; and
  - ✓ HRSA does not include the item/service for which the provider is requesting reimbursement in other reimbursement rate methodologies. Other methodologies include, but are not limited to, the following:
    - Hospice providers' per diem reimbursement;
    - Hospital's diagnosis related group (DRG) reimbursement;
    - Managed care plans' capitation rate; and
    - Nursing facilities' per diem rate.
- HRSA sets maximum allowable fees for DME and related supplies using available published information, such as:
  - ✓ Commercial databases for price comparisons;
  - ✓ Manufacturers' catalogs;
  - ✓ Medicare fee schedules; and
  - ✓ Wholesale prices.
- HRSA may adopt policies and/or rates that are inconsistent with those set by Medicare if HRSA determines that such actions are in the best interest of its clients.
- HRSA updates the maximum allowable fees for DME and supplies no more than once per year, unless otherwise directed by the legislature. HRSA may update the rates for different categories of medical equipment at different times during the year.
- A provider must not bill HRSA for the rental or purchase of equipment supplied to the provider at no cost by suppliers/manufacturers.

## What criteria does HRSA use to determine whether to purchase or rent DME for clients? [Refer to WAC 388-543-1100(8)]

HRSA bases the decision to purchase or rent DME for a client, or to pay for repairs to client-owned equipment on medical necessity.

HRSA purchases or rents medically necessary equipment and supplies only when the item requested is not included in other reimbursement methodologies. Other reimbursement methodologies include, but are not limited to:

- Hospitals' diagnosis-related group (DRG) reimbursement;
- Inpatient hospital ratio of cost to charges (RCC) reimbursement;
- Nursing facilities' per diem rate;
- Hospice providers' per diem reimbursement; or
- Managed care plans' capitation rate.

The amount HRSA pays for medically necessary services is the lower of the usual and customary charges or rates established by HRSA and:

- The services are within the scope of care in this billing instructions (see *Coverage* section);
- The services are properly authorized;
- The services are properly billed;
- The services are billed in a timely manner as described under WAC 388-502-0150;
- The client is certified as eligible; and
- Third-party payment procedures are followed.

## Purchased DME and Related Supplies

[WAC 388-543-1500]

- DME and related supplies purchased by HRSA for a client is the client's property. HRSA reimbursement for covered DME and related supplies includes all of the following:
  - ✓ Any adjustments or modifications to the equipment that are required within three months of the date of delivery. This does not apply to adjustments required because of changes in the client's medical condition;
  - ✓ Fitting and set-up; and
  - ✓ Instruction to the client or client's caregiver in the appropriate use of the equipment, device, and/or supplies.

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- HRSA charges the dispensing provider for any costs it incurs to have another provider repair equipment if all of the following apply:
  - ✓ Any DME that HRSA considers purchased according to these billing instructions (see “*Rented DME and Supplies*” in section H) requires repair during the applicable warranty period;
  - ✓ The dispensing provider is unwilling or unable to fulfill the warranty; and
  - ✓ The client still needs the equipment.
- HRSA rescinds purchase orders for the following reasons:
  - ✓ If the equipment was not delivered to the client before the client:
    - Dies;
    - Loses medical eligibility;
    - Becomes covered by a hospice agency; or
    - Becomes covered by an HRSA managed care plan.
  - ✓ A provider may incur extra costs for customized equipment that may not be easily resold. In these cases, for purchase orders rescinded per the stipulations listed above, HRSA may pay the provider an amount it considers appropriate to help defray these extra costs. HRSA requires the provider to submit justification sufficient to support such a claim.
  - ✓ A client may become a managed care plan client before HRSA completes the purchase of prescribed medical equipment. If this occurs:
    - HRSA rescinds the purchase order until the managed care primary care provider (PCP) evaluates the client; then
    - HRSA requires the PCP to write a new prescription if the PCP determines the equipment is still medically necessary (see *Definitions* section); then
    - The managed care plan’s applicable reimbursement policies apply to the purchase or rental of the equipment.

## Rented DME and Related Supplies [WAC 388-543-1700]

- HRSA's reimbursement amount for rented DME includes all of the following:
  - ✓ Delivery to the client;
  - ✓ Fitting, set-up, and adjustments;
  - ✓ Maintenance, repair and/or replacement of the equipment; and
  - ✓ Return pickup by the provider.
- HRSA requires a dispensing provider to ensure the DME rented to an HRSA client is both of the following:
  - ✓ In good working order; and
  - ✓ Comparable to equipment the provider rents to clients with similar medical equipment needs who are either private pay clients or who have other third-party coverage.
- HRSA considers rented equipment to be purchased after 12 months' rental unless one of the following apply:
  - ✓ The equipment is restricted as rental only; or
  - ✓ Other HRSA published issuances state otherwise.
- HRSA rents, but does not purchase, certain medically necessary equipment for clients. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:
  - ✓ Bilirubin lights for newborns at home with jaundice; and
  - ✓ Electric breast pumps.
- HRSA's minimum rental period for covered DME is one day.
- HRSA requires that both the begin date and the end date of a rental segment be indicated on the 1500 Claim Form in the "dates of service," "from," and "to" areas for all rental billings.

## Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment, and Supplies

- If a fee-for-service (FFS) client becomes a managed care plan client, both of the following apply:
  - ✓ HRSA stops paying for any rented equipment on the last day of the month preceding the month in which the client becomes enrolled in the managed care plan; and
  - ✓ The plan determines the client's continuing need for the equipment and is responsible for reimbursing the provider.
- HRSA stops paying for any rented equipment effective the date of a client's death. HRSA prorates monthly rental as appropriate.
- For a client who is eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare, HRSA pays only the client's coinsurance and deductibles for rental equipment when either of the following applies:
  - ✓ The reimbursement amount reaches Medicare's reimbursement cap for the equipment; or
  - ✓ Medicare considers the equipment purchased.
- HRSA does not obtain or pay for insurance coverage against liability, loss and/or damage to rental equipment that a provider supplies to an HRSA client.

### **When does HRSA not reimburse under fee-for-service?**

[WAC 388-543-1100 (5)]

HRSA does not reimburse for DME and related supplies and repairs and labor charges under fee-for-service (FFS) when the client is any of the following:

- An inpatient hospital client;
- Eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid, and is staying in a nursing facility in lieu of hospitalization;
- Terminally ill and receiving hospice care; or
- Enrolled in a risk-based managed care plan that includes coverage for such items and/or services.

### **DME and Supplies Provided in Physician's Office**

HRSA does not pay a DME provider for medical supplies used in conjunction with a physician office visit. HRSA pays the office physician for these supplies, as stated in the Resource Based Relative Value Scale (RBRVS), when it is appropriate.

## Warranty

- HRSA requires providers to:
  - ✓ Furnish to HRSA clients only new equipment that includes full manufacturer and dealer warranties; and
  - ✓ Include a warranty on equipment for one year after the date HRSA considers rented equipment to be purchased as provided in this billing instruction (see “*Rented DME and Supplies*” in section H). (Refer to WAC 388-543-1500[3][4])
  
- HRSA charges the dispensing provider 50% of the total amount HRSA paid toward rental and eventual purchase of the first equipment if the rental equipment must be replaced during the warranty period. All of the following must apply:
  - ✓ Any medical equipment that HRSA considers purchased according to this billing instruction (see “*Rented DME and Supplies*” in section H) requires replacement during the applicable warranty period;
  - ✓ The dispensing provider is unwilling or unable to fulfill the warranty; and
  - ✓ The client still needs the equipment.

<b>MINIMUM WARRANTY PERIODS</b>	
<b>Wheelchair Frames (Purchased New) and Wheelchair Parts</b> Powerdrive <i>(depending on model)</i> Ultralight Active Duty Lightweight <i>(depending on model)</i> All Others	<b>Warranty</b> 1 year - lifetime lifetime 5 years - lifetime 1 year
<b>Electrical Components</b> All electrical components whether new or replacement parts including batteries	<b>Warranty</b> 6 months - 1 year
<b>Other DME</b> All other DME not specified above (excludes disposable/non-reusable supplies)	<b>Warranty</b> 1 year

## Fee Schedule

You may view HRSA's Wheelchair and Other DME Fee Schedules on-line at

<http://maa.dshs.wa.gov/RBRVS/Index.html>

For a paper copy of the fee schedule:

- **Go to:** <http://www.prt.wa.gov/> (On-line orders filled daily.) Click on General Store. Follow prompts to Store Lobby → Search by Agency → Department of Social and Health Services → Health and Recovery Services Administration → desired issuance; **or**
- **Fax/Call:** Dept. of Printing/Attn: Fulfillment at FAX 360.586.6361/ telephone 360.586.6360. (Telephoned and faxed orders may take up to 2 weeks to fill.)

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# Billing

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## What is the time limit for billing? [Refer to WAC 388-502-0150]

- HRSA requires providers to submit an initial claim, be assigned an internal control number (ICN), and adjust all claims in a timely manner. HRSA has two timeliness standards: 1) for initial claims; and 2) for resubmitted claims.
- The provider must submit claims as described in HRSA's billing instructions.
- HRSA requires providers to obtain an ICN for an **initial claim** within 365 days from any of the following:
  - ✓ The date the provider furnishes the service to the eligible client;
  - ✓ The date a final fair hearing decision is entered that impacts the particular claim;
  - ✓ The date a court orders HRSA to cover the services; or
  - ✓ The date DSHS certifies a client eligible under delayed<sup>1</sup> certification criteria.
- HRSA may grant exceptions to the 365 day time limit for **initial claims** when billing delays are caused by either of the following:
  - ✓ DSHS certification of a client for a retroactive<sup>2</sup> period; or
  - ✓ The provider proves to HRSA's satisfaction that there are other extenuating circumstances.

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<sup>1</sup> **Delayed Certification** - According to WAC 388-500-0005, delayed certification means department approval of a person's eligibility for a covered service made after the established application processing time limits. If, due to delayed certification, the client becomes eligible for a covered service that has already been provided, **the provider must not bill**, demand, collect, or accept payment from the client or anyone on the client's behalf for the service; and **must promptly refund** the total payment received from the client or anyone acting on the client's behalf and then bill HRSA for the service.

**Eligibility Established After Date of Service but Within the Same Month** - If the client becomes eligible for a covered service that has already been provided because the client applied to the department for medical services later in the same month the service was provided (and is made eligible from the first day of the month), **the provider must not bill**, demand, collect, or accept payment from the client or anyone acting on the client's behalf for the service; and **must promptly refund** the total payment received from the client or anyone acting on the client's behalf and then bill HRSA for the service.

<sup>2</sup> **Retroactive Certification** - According to WAC 388-500-0005, retroactive period means the three calendar months before the month of application (month in which client applied). If, due to retroactive certification, the client becomes eligible for a covered service that has already been provided, **the provider must not bill**, demand, collect, or accept payment from the client or anyone acting on the client's behalf for any unpaid charges for the service; and **may refund** any payment already received from the client or anyone acting on the client's behalf, and after refunding the payment, the provider may bill HRSA for the service.

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- Providers may **resubmit, modify, or adjust** any timely initial claim, **except** prescription drug claims, for a period of 36 months from the date of service. Prescription drug claims must be resubmitted, modified, or adjusted within 15 months from the date of service.

**Note:** HRSA does not accept any claim for resubmission, modification, or adjustment after the allotted time period listed above.

- The allotted time periods do not apply to overpayments that the provider must refund to DSHS. After the allotted time periods, a provider may not refund overpayments to HRSA by claim adjustment. The provider must refund overpayments to HRSA by a negotiable financial instrument such as a bank check.
- The provider, or any agent of the provider, must not bill a client or a client's estate when:
  - ✓ The provider fails to meet these listed requirements; and
  - ✓ HRSA does not pay the claim.

### What fee should I bill HRSA for eligible clients?

Bill HRSA your usual and customary fee.

**Exception:** If billing Medicare Part B crossover claims, bill the amount submitted to Medicare.

### How do I bill for services provided to Primary Care Case Management (PCCM) clients?

When billing for services provided to PCCM clients:

- Enter the referring physician or PCCM name in field 17 on the 1500 Claim Form; and
- Enter the seven-digit, HRSA-assigned identification number of the PCCM provider who referred the client for the service(s). If the client is enrolled with a PCCM provider and the PCCM referral number is not in field 17a when you bill HRSA, the claim will be denied.

## How do I bill for clients who are eligible for Medicare and Medical Assistance?

If a client is eligible for both Medicare and Medical Assistance (otherwise known as “dual-eligible”), **you must first submit a claim to Medicare and accept assignment within Medicare’s time limitations.** HRSA may make an additional payment after Medicare reimburses you.

- If Medicare pays the claim, the provider must bill HRSA within six months of the date Medicare processes the claim.
- If Medicare denies payment of the claim, HRSA requires the provider to meet HRSA’s initial 365-day requirement for initial claim (see page K.1).
- Codes billed to HRSA must match codes billed to Medicare when billed as a Medicare Part B crossover claim.

### Medicare Part B

Benefits covered under Part B include: **Physician, outpatient hospital services, home health, durable medical equipment, and other medical services and supplies** not covered under Part A.

When the words *"This information is being sent to either a private insurer or Medicaid fiscal agent,"* appear on your Medicare remittance notice, it means that your claim has been forwarded to HRSA or a private insurer for deductible and/or coinsurance processing.

If you have received a payment or denial from Medicare, but it does not appear on your HRSA Remittance and Status Report (RA) within 45 days from Medicare’s statement date, you should bill HRSA directly.

- If Medicare has made payment, and there is a balance due from HRSA, you must submit a 1500 Claim Form (with the “XO” indicator in field 19). Bill only those lines Medicare paid. Do not submit paid lines with denied lines. This could cause a delay in payment or a denial.
- If Medicare denies services, but HRSA covers them, you must bill on a 1500 Claim Form (without the “XO” indicator in field 19). Bill only those lines Medicare denied. Do not submit denied lines with paid lines. This could cause a delay in payment or a denial.
- If Medicare denies a service that requires prior authorization by HRSA, HRSA will waive the prior authorization requirement but will still require authorization. Authorization or denial of your request will be based upon medical necessity.

## Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment, and Supplies

### Note:

- Medicare/Medical Assistance billing claims must be received by HRSA within six (6) months of the Medicare EOMB paid date.
- A Medicare Remittance Notice or EOMB must be attached to each claim.

### Payment Methodology – Part B

- MMIS compares HRSA's allowed amount to Medicare's allowed amount and selects the lesser of the two. (If there is no HRSA allowed amount, we use Medicare's allowed amount.)
- Medicare's payment is deducted from the amount selected above.
- If there is *no* balance due, the claim is denied because Medicare's payment exceeds HRSA's allowable.
- If there *is* a balance due, payment is made towards the deductible and/or coinsurance up to HRSA's maximum allowable.

HRSA cannot make direct payments to clients to cover the deductible and/or coinsurance amount of Part B Medicare. HRSA *can* pay these costs to the provider on behalf of the client when:

- 1) The provider **accepts** assignment; and
- 2) The total combined reimbursement to the provider from Medicare and Medicaid does not exceed Medicare or Medicaid's allowed amount, whichever is less.

## Third-Party Liability

You must bill the insurance carrier(s) indicated on the client's Medical Identification card. An insurance carrier's time limit for claim submissions may be different from HRSA's. It is your responsibility to meet the insurance carrier's requirements relating to billing time limits, as well as HRSA's, prior to any payment by HRSA.

You must meet HRSA's 365-day billing time limit even if you haven't received notification of action from the insurance carrier. If your claim is denied due to any existing third-party liability, refer to the corresponding HRSA *Remittance and Status Report* for insurance information appropriate for the date of service.

If you receive an insurance payment and the carrier pays you less than the maximum amount allowed by HRSA, or if you have reason to believe that HRSA may make an additional payment:

- Submit a completed claim form to HRSA;
- Attach the insurance carrier's statement or EOB;
- If rebilling, also attach a copy of the HRSA *Remittance and Status Report* showing the previous denial; or
- If you are rebilling electronically, list the claim number (ICN) of the previous denial in the *Comments* field of the Electronic Media Claim (EMC).

Third-party carrier codes are available on HRSA's website at <http://maa.dshs.wa.gov> or by calling the Coordination of Benefits Section at 1-800-562-6136.

## What records must be kept? (Refer to WAC 388-502-0020)

### Enrolled providers must:

- Keep legible, accurate, and complete charts and records to justify the services provided to each client, including, but not limited to:
  - ✓ Patient's name and date of birth;
  - ✓ Dates of service(s);
  - ✓ Name and title of person performing the service, if other than the billing practitioner;
  - ✓ Chief complaint or reason for each visit;
  - ✓ Pertinent medical history;
  - ✓ Pertinent findings on examination;
  - ✓ Medications, equipment, and/or supplies prescribed or provided;
  - ✓ Description of treatment (when applicable);
  - ✓ Recommendations for additional treatments, procedures, or consultations;
  - ✓ X-rays, tests, and results;
  - ✓ Plan of treatment and/or care, and outcome;
  - ✓ Specific claims and payments received for services; and
  - ✓ Any specifically required forms for the provision of DME.
- Assure charts are authenticated by the person who gave the order, provided the care, or performed the observation, examination, assessment, treatment or other service to which the entry pertains.
- Make charts and records available to DSHS, its contractors, and the US Department of Health and Human Services, upon their request, **for at least six years from the date of service** or more if required by federal or state law or regulation.

**A provider may contact HRSA with questions regarding its programs. However, HRSA's response is based solely on the information provided to HRSA's representative at the time of inquiry, and in no way exempts a provider from following the laws and rules that govern HRSA's programs.  
(Refer to WAC 388-502-0020[2])**

## Required Forms

The following forms can be downloaded from DSHS's Electronic Forms

Website at: <http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/msa/forms/eforms.html>

- Medical Necessity for Wheelchair Purchase for Nursing Facilities (NF) Clients (DSHS 13-729)
- Medical Necessity for Wheelchair Purchase (for home client only) (DSHS 13-727)
- The Speech Language Pathologist (SLP) Evaluation For Speech Generating Devices (DSHS 15-310)
- Low Air-Loss Therapy Systems (DSHS 13-728)
- Hospital Bed Evaluation (DSHS 13-747)
- Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (DSHS 13-726)

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# Completing the 1500 Claim Form

**Attention! HRSA now accepts the new 1500 Claim Form.**

- **On November 1, 2006**, HRSA began accepting the new 1500 Claim Form (version 08/05).
- **As of April 1, 2007**, HRSA will no longer accept the old HCFA-1500 Claim Form.

**Note: HRSA encourages providers to make use of electronic billing options.**  
For information about electronic billing, refer to the *Important Contacts* section.

Refer to HRSA’s current *General Information Booklet* for instructions on completing the 1500 Claim Form. You may download this booklet from HRSA’s web site at: <http://maa.dshs.wa.gov> (click **Billing Instructions/Numbered Memoranda**, **Accept** the agreement, and then click **Billing Instructions**). You may also request a paper copy from the Department of Printing (see Important Contacts section).

## Instructions Specific to DME Providers

The following 1500 Claim Form instructions relate to the DME program:

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# Common Questions Regarding Medicare Part B/ Medicaid Crossover Claims

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**Q: Why do I have to mark “XO,” in box 19 on crossover claim?**

**A:** The “XO” allows our mailroom staff to identify crossover claims easily, ensuring accurate processing for payment.

**Q: What fields do I use for HCFA-1500 Medicare information?**

<b>A:</b> In Field:	Please Enter:
19	an “XO”
24K	Medicare’s allowed charges
29	Medicare’s total deductible
30	Medicare’s total payment
32	Medicare’s EOMB process date, and the third-party liability amount

**Q: When I bill Medicare denied lines to HRSA, why is the claim denied?**

**A:** Your bill is not a crossover when Medicare denies your claim or if you are billing for Medicare-denied lines. The Medicare EOMB must be attached to the claim. Do not indicate “XO.”

**Q: How do my claims reach Medicaid after I’ve sent them to Medicare?**

**A:** After Medicare has processed your claim, and if Medicare has allowed the services, in most cases Medicare will forward the claim to HRSA for any supplemental Medicaid payment. When the remarks code is, “*MA07-The claim information has also been forwarded to Medicaid for review,*” it means that your claim has been forwarded to HRSA.

## Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment, and Supplies

### **Q: What if my claim(s) does not appear on the RA?**

**A:** If **Medicare has paid** and the Medicare crossover claim does not appear on the HRSA Remittance Advice and Status Report (RA) within 45 days of the Medicare statement date, you should bill HRSA the paid lines on the 1500 Claim Form **with** an “XO” in box 19.

If **Medicare denies** a service, bill HRSA the denied lines, using the 1500 Claim Form **without** an “XO” on the claim.

**REMEMBER!** Attach a copy of Medicare’s EOMB.

**REMEMBER!** You must submit your claim to HRSA within six months of the Medicare statement date if Medicare has **paid** or 365 days from date of service if Medicare has **denied**.

**Note:** Claims billed to HRSA with payment by Medicare must be submitted with the same procedure code used to bill Medicare.

# Completing the 1500 Claim Form for Medicare Crossovers

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The HCFA-1500 (U2) (12-90) (Health Insurance Claim Form) is a universal claim form used by many agencies nationwide; a number of the fields on the form do not apply when billing the Health and Recovery Services Administration (HRSA). Some field titles may not reflect their usage for this claim type. The numbered boxes on the claim form are referred to as fields.

**Important!**

## General Guidelines:

- **Use only the original preprinted red and white 1500 Claim Forms** (version 12/90 or later, preferably on 20# paper). This form is designed specifically for optical character recognition (OCR) systems. The scanner cannot read black and white (copied, carbon, or laser-printer generated) 1500 Claim Forms.
- **Do not use red ink pens, highlighters, “post-it notes,” or stickers** anywhere on the claim form or backup documentation. The red ink and/or highlighter will not be picked up in the scanning process. Vital data will not be recognized. Do not write or use stamps or stickers that say, “REBILL,” “TRACER,” or “SECOND SUBMISSION” on claim form.
- **Use standard typewritten fonts** that are 10 c.p.i (characters per inch). Do not mix character fonts on the same claim form. Do not use italics or script.
- **Use upper case** (capital letters) for all alpha characters.
- **Use black** printer ribbon, ink-jet, or laser printer cartridges. Make sure ink is not too light or faded.
- **Ensure all the claim information is entirely contained within the proper field** on the claim form and on the same horizontal plane. Misaligned data will delay processing and may even be missed.
- **Place only six detail lines on each claim form.** HRSA does not accept “continued” claim forms. If more than six detail lines are needed, use additional claim forms.
- **Show the total amount for each claim form separately.** Do not indicate the entire total (for all claims) on the last claim form; **total each claim form.**

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The 1500 Claim Form, used for Medicare/Medicaid Benefits Coordination, **cannot** be billed electronically.

### FIELD DESCRIPTION

**1a. Insured's I.D. No.:** Required. Enter the HRSA Patient Identification Code (PIC). This information is obtained from the client's current monthly Medical Identification card and consists of the client's:

- First and middle initials (a dash [-] *must* be used if the middle initial is not available).
- Six-digit birthdate, consisting of *numerals only* (MMDDYY).
- First five letters of the last name. If there are fewer than five letters in the last name, leave spaces for the remainder before adding the tiebreaker.
- An alpha or numeric character (tiebreaker).

*For example:*

- ✓ Mary C. Johnson's PIC looks like this: MC010633JOHNSB.
- ✓ John Lee's PIC needs two spaces to make up the last name, does not have a middle initial and looks like this: J-100226LEE B.

**2. Patient's Name:** Required. Enter the last name, first name, and middle initial of the HRSA client (the receiver of the services for which you are billing).

**3. Patient's Birthdate:** Required. Enter the birthdate of the HRSA client.

**4. Insured's Name (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial):** When applicable. If the client has health insurance through employment or another source (e.g., private insurance, Federal Health Insurance Benefits, CHAMPUS, or CHAMPVA), list the name of the insured here. Enter the name of the insured except when the insured and the client are the same - then the word *Same* may be entered.

**5. Patient's Address:** Required. Enter the address of the HRSA client who has received the services you are billing for (the person whose name is in *field 2*).

**9. Other Insured's Name:** Secondary insurance. When applicable, enter the last name, first name, and middle initial of the insured. If the client has insurance secondary to the insurance listed in *field 11*, enter it here.

**9a.** Enter the other insured's policy or group number *and* his/her Social Security Number.

**9b.** Enter the other insured's date of birth.

**9c.** Enter the other insured's employer's name or school name.

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**9d.** Enter the insurance plan name or the program name (e.g., the insured's health maintenance organization, or private supplementary insurance).

**Please note:** DSHS, Welfare, Provider Services, Healthy Kids, First Steps, Medicare, Indian Health, PCCM, Healthy Options, PCOP, etc., are inappropriate entries for this field.

**10. Is Patient's Condition Related To:** Required. Check *yes* or *no* to indicate whether employment, auto accident or other accident involvement applies to one or more of the services described in *field 24*. **Indicate the name of the coverage source in field 10d** (L&I, name of insurance company, etc.).

**11. Insured's Policy Group or FECA (Federal Employees Compensation Act) Number:** Primary insurance. When applicable. This information applies to the insured person listed in *field 4*. Enter the insured's policy and/or group number and his/her social security number. The data in this field will indicate that the client has other insurance coverage and HRSA pays as payor of last resort.

**11a. Insured's Date of Birth:** Primary insurance. When applicable, enter the insured's birthdate, if different from *field 3*.

**11b. Employer's Name or School Name:** Primary insurance. When applicable, enter the insured's employer's name or school name.

**11c. Insurance Plan Name or Program Name:** Primary insurance. When applicable, show the insurance plan or program name to identify the primary insurance involved. (*Note: This may or may not be associated with a group plan.*)

**11d. Is There Another Health Benefit Plan?:** Required if the client has secondary insurance. Indicate *yes* or *no*. If *yes*, you should have completed *fields 9a.-d*. If the client has insurance, and even if you know the insurance will not cover the service you are billing, you must check *yes*. **If 11d. is left blank, the claim may be processed and denied in error.**

**19. Reserved For Local Use - Required. When Medicare allows services, enter *XO* to indicate this is a crossover claim.**

**22. Medicaid Resubmission:** When applicable. If this billing is being resubmitted more than six (6) months from Medicare's paid date, enter the Internal Control Number (ICN) that verifies that your claim was originally submitted within the time limit. (The ICN number is the *claim number* listed on the Remittance and Status Report.) Also enter the three-digit denial Explanation of Benefits (EOB).

**24. Enter only one (1) procedure code per detail line (fields 24A - 24K). If you need to bill more than six (6) lines per claim, please use an additional 1500 Claim Form.**

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24A. **Date(s) of Service:** Required. Enter the "from" and "to" dates using all six digits for each date. Enter the month, day, and year of service numerically (e.g., October 4, 2003 = 100403). **Do not use slashes, dashes, or hyphens to separate month, day, or year (MMDDYY).**

24B. **Place of Service:** Required. These are the only appropriate code(s) for this billing instruction:

**Code Number To Be Used For**

04	Homeless shelter
12	Client's residence
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24C. **Type of Service:** Not Required.

24D. **Procedures, Services or Supplies HCPCS:** Required. Enter the appropriate Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) (formerly known as HCFA) Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) procedure code for the services being billed. **MODIFIER:** When appropriate enter a modifier.

24E. **Diagnosis Code:** Enter appropriate diagnosis code for condition.

24F. **\$ Charges:** Required. **Enter the amount you billed Medicare for the service performed.** If more than one unit is being billed, the charge shown must be for the total of the units billed. Do not include dollar signs or decimals in this field. Do not add sales tax.

24G. **Days or Units:** Required. Enter the number of units billed and paid for by Medicare.

24K. **Reserved for Local Use:** Required. Use this field to show Medicare allowed charges. Enter the Medicare allowed charge on each detail line of the claim (see sample).

26. **Your Patient's Account No.:** Not required. Enter an alphanumeric ID number, for example, a medical record number or patient account number. This number will be printed on your Remittance and Status Report under the heading *Patient Account Number*.

27. **Accept Assignment: Required.** Check **yes**.

28. **Total Charge:** Required. Enter the sum of your charges. Do not use dollar signs or decimals in this field.

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**29. Amount Paid:** Required. Enter the Medicare Deductible here. Enter the amount as shown on Medicare's Remittance Notice and Explanation of Benefits. If you have more than six (6) detail lines to submit, please use multiple 1500 Claim Forms (see field 24) and calculate the deductible based on the lines on each form. **Do not include coinsurance here.**

**30. Balance Due:** Required. Enter the Medicare Total Payment. Enter the amount as shown on Medicare's Remittance Notice or Explanation of Benefits. If you have more than six (6) detail lines to submit, please use multiple HCFA claim forms (see field 24) and calculate the Medicare payment based on the lines on each form. **Do not include coinsurance here.**

**32. Name and Address of Facility Where Services Are Rendered:** Required. Enter Medicare Statement Date *and* any Third-Party Liability Dollar Amount (e.g., auto, employee-sponsored, supplemental insurance) here, if any. If there is insurance payment on the claim, you must also attach the insurance Explanation of Benefits (EOB). **Do not include coinsurance here.**

**33. Physician's, Supplier's Billing Name, Address, Zip Code and Phone #:** Required.

**P.I.N. #:** Required. Enter the individual provider number assigned to you by HRSA.



## Appendix A [Refer to WAC 388-543-2100]

### Reimbursement Methodology for Wheelchairs

1. The Health and Recovery Services Administration (HRSA) reimburses a Durable Medical Equipment (DME) provider for purchased wheelchairs for a home or nursing facility client based on the specific brand and model of wheelchair dispensed. HRSA decides which brands and/or models of wheelchairs are eligible for reimbursement based on all of the following:
  - a) The client's medical needs;
  - b) Product quality;
  - c) Cost; and
  - d) Available alternatives.
2. For wheelchair rentals and wheelchair accessories (e.g., cushions and backs), HRSA uses either:
  - a) The Medicare fees that are current on April 1 of each year; or
  - b) HRSA's maximum allowable reimbursement is based on a percentage of the manufacturer's list price in effect on January 31 of the base year, or the invoice for the specific item. HRSA uses the following percentages:
    - i) For basic standard wheelchairs, sixty-five percent;
    - ii) For add-on accessories and parts, eighty-four percent;
    - iii) For upcharge modifications and cushions, eighty percent;
    - iv) For all other manual wheelchairs, eighty percent; and
    - v) For all other power-drive wheelchairs, eighty-five percent.
4. HRSA determines rental reimbursement for categories of manual and power-driven wheelchairs based on average market rental rates or Medicare rates.
5. HRSA evaluates and updates the wheelchair fee schedule once per year.
6. HRSA implements wheelchair rate changes on April 1 of the base year, and the rates are effective until the next rate change.

## Appendix B [Refer to WAC 388-543-2500]

### Reimbursement Methodology for Other DME

1. HRSA establishes reimbursement rates for purchased other DME.
  - a) For other durable medical equipment that have a Medicare rate established for a new purchase, HRSA uses the rate that is in effect on January first of the year in which HRSA sets the reimbursement.
  - b) For other durable medical equipment that do not have a Medicare rate established for a new purchase, HRSA uses a pricing cluster to establish the rate.
2. Establishing a pricing cluster and reimbursement rates.
  - a) In order to make up a pricing cluster for a procedure code, HRSA determines which brands/models of other DME its clients most frequently use. HRSA obtains prices for these brands/models from manufacturer catalogs or commercial databases. HRSA may change or otherwise limit the number of brands/models included in the pricing cluster, based on the following:
    - i. Client medical needs;
    - ii. Product quality;
    - iii. Introduction of new brands/models;
    - iv. A manufacturer discontinuing or substituting a brand/model; and/or
    - v. Cost.
  - b) If a manufacturer list price is not available for any of the brands/models used in the pricing cluster, HRSA calculates the reimbursement rate at the manufacturer's published cost to providers plus a 35 percent mark-up.

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- c) For each brand used in the pricing cluster, HRSA discounts the manufacturer's list price by 20 percent.
- i. If six or more brands/models are used in the pricing cluster, HRSA calculates the reimbursement rate at the 17th percentile of the pricing cluster.
  - ii. If five brands/models are used in the pricing cluster, HRSA establishes the reimbursement rate at the fourth highest discounted list price, as described in 2b on page 2.
  - iii. If four brands/models are used in the pricing cluster, HRSA establishes the reimbursement rate at the third highest discounted list price, as described in 2b on page 2.
  - iv. If three brands/models are used in the pricing cluster, HRSA establishes the reimbursement rate at the third highest discounted list price, as described in 2b on page 2.
  - v. If two or fewer brands/models are used in the pricing cluster, HRSA establishes the reimbursement rate at the highest discounted list price, as described in 2b on page 2.