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TO: Medical Equipment, Devices and Supplies (MEDS) Providers

RE: Revised - Limitation Changes to Medical Surgical Supplies, Durable Medical Equipment (DME) and Orthotic and Prosthetic Devices

Effective for dates of service July 1, 2021 and forward, the Department of Social Services (DSS) is establishing quantity limits for certain procedure codes within the medical surgical supplies; durable medical equipment (DME) and orthotic and prosthetic (O&P) devices fee schedules. Establishing quantity limits for certain MEDS items is necessary to be more in line with the use, durability, and general sustainability of the item and to ensure reimbursement is for medically necessary quantities. These limitations may be exceeded with prior authorization (PA) based on medical necessity.

The list of DME, Medical Surgical Supplies and O&P procedure codes impacted by this change can be found on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program (CMAP) Web site at www.ctdssmap.com. From this page, go to "Provider", then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download". Click on "I accept", then click on "Click here for the Fee Schedule Instructions". The list of procedure codes will be found at the end of this section, entitled Table 19, "MEDS Procedure Codes - Quantity Limitations".

Please note: The quantities displayed in the quantity columns are the maximum allowed units per month unless otherwise specified.

Effective for dates of service July 1, 2021 and forward, the quantities for the medical surgical supply procedure codes below are revised as follows:

| Procedure Code | Current Monthly Quantity | 7/1/2021 Monthly Quantity |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| A4310 | 10 | 4 |
| A4311 | 8 | 6 |
| A4312 | 8 | 6 |
| A4313 | 8 | 6 |
| A4314 | 8 | 6 |
| A4315 | 8 | 6 |
| A4316 | 8 | 6 |
| A4320 | 31 | 10 |
| A4322 | 20 | 16 |
| A4326 | 31 | 16 |
| A4338 | 10 | 6 |
| A4340 | 31 | 6 |
| A4344 | 10 | 6 |
| A4354 | 8 | 4 |
| A4357 | 10 | 4 |
| A4358 | 31 | 4 |
| A6023 | 16 | 10 |
| A7045 | 1 | 1 per 6 months |
| A9273 | 1 | 1 per year |
| T4521 | 250 | 216 |
| T4522 | 250 | 216 |
| T4523 | 250 | 216 |
| T4524 | 250 | 216 |
| T4525 | 250 | 216 |
| T4526 | 250 | 216 |
| T4527 | 250 | 216 |
| T4528 | 250 | 216 |
| T4543 | 250 | 216 |
| T4544 | 250 | 216 |

Please refer to Table 19 in the fee schedule instructions for the full list of quantity limits for DME, O&P, and Medical & Surgical supplies.

PA requests may be submitted for DME, medical surgical and O&P quantities above the limit when medically necessary. The PA request must include documentation justifying the medical necessity for the higher amount.

Please note: PA will not override the daily federally required National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) Medically Unlikely Edits (MUEs). Certain Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes are subject to MUEs. MUEs are "per day" edits that take precedence over the maximum quantity allowed per month. Additional units requested per month via PA will not override the MUE. Providers should continue to utilize an appropriate day span, by entering the "From" and "To" dates in MM/DD/YY format on the claim detail to avoid claim denials due to MUE as well as any daily contract quantity limitations set by CMAP.

Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) Public Comment Period

One or more of the policies detailed in this provider bulletin may be part of a SPA with a public comment period. For more information, see the DSS website at this link: https://portal.ct.gov/DSS/Health-And-Home-Care/Medicaid-State-Plan-Amendments. If DSS makes any changes to these policies, they will be announced in revised or future provider bulletins.

Accessing the Fee Schedules:

The updated MEDS fee schedule is available on the CMAP Web site at www.ctdssmap.com. From this Web page, go to "Provider", then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download". Click on the "I Accept" button and scroll down to the "MEDS – Durable Medical Equipment" fee schedule, the "MEDS – Medical/Surgical Supplies" fee schedule, and the "MEDS – Prosthetic/Orthotic" fee schedule.

Posting Instructions:

MEDS providers should replace their existing MEDS fee schedules with the new fee schedules. Policy transmittals can be downloaded from the Web site at www.ctdssmap.com.

Distribution:

This policy transmittal is being distributed to providers of the CMAP by Gainwell Technologies.

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