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Medi-Cal

Provider Notice: #0071

Subject: "By Report" Wheelchairs, Wheelchair Accessories and Replacement Parts

I. Reimbursement for Wheelchair "By Report" Codes

Effective for dates of service on or after 9/1/06, wheelchairs, wheelchair accessories and replacement parts billed "By Report" will be reimbursed the least of:

- Amount billed pursuant to California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Section 51008.1,
- The manufacturer's purchase invoice amount, plus a 67% markup, or
- The manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP), as follows:
 - ✓ 85% of MSRP if the provider documents on the claim that (s)he has on staff, either as an employee or independent contractor, one of the following qualified rehabilitation professionals and that qualified rehabilitation professional was directly involved in determining the specific wheelchair equipment needs of the patient and directly involved with or closely supervised the final fitting and delivery of the wheelchair:
 - ❖ Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America (RESNA)-certified technician.
 - ❖ Certified Rehabilitation Technology Supplier (CRTS)
 - ❖ Licensed California physical therapist
 - ❖ Licensed California occupational therapist
 - ✓ 80% of the MSRP, if the claim does not provide documentation that the provider employs or contracts with a qualified rehabilitation professional as noted above.

This reimbursement methodology replaces the previous tier method of reimbursing wheelchairs, accessories and replacement parts based on a total aggregate MSRP.

II. Documentation Requirements

Claims submitted for unlisted wheelchairs, wheelchair accessories and replacement parts for patient owned equipment, require the following information:

- For DOS on or after 9/1/06, MSRP (a catalog price) must be an amount that was published prior to 6/1/06. If the item was not available prior to 6/1/06, attach a manufacturer's purchase invoice and the catalog page that initially published the item and the MSRP, and complete the *Reserved For Local Use* field (Box 19) with the date of availability. For dates of service prior to 9/1/06, the MSRP must be published prior to 8/1/03.
- Item description
- Manufacturer name
- Model number
- Catalog number
- The reason a listed code was not used.
- If applicable, completion of the *Reserved for Local Use* field (Box 19) with the name of the employed or contracted qualified rehabilitation professional.

Claims submitted with a manufacturer's purchase invoice must include an MSRP if the provider is requesting reimbursement at the invoice amount plus a 67% markup.