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Announcement 1063

Urgent Announcement for Provider Type 33: DME Ventilator Code Changes Effective January 1, 2016

The HCPCS codes used by provider type (PT) 33 (DME) to bill for ventilators have changed effective January 1, 2016.

HCPCS codes E0450, E0460, E0461, E0463 and E0464:

- Effective with dates of service on or after January 1, 2016, HCPCS codes E0450, E0460, E0461, E0463 and E0464 have been discontinued by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and are no longer accepted by Nevada Medicaid for DME.
- Claims for E0450, E0460, E0461, E0463 and E0464 with dates of service on or after January 1, 2016, will deny. Previously submitted claims for these codes with a date of service on or after January 1, 2016, that denied need to be resubmitted with the new codes: either E0465 or E0466. This should be done after the provider has requested a data correction to change the prior authorization to the new code.
- If you have an approved prior authorization for E0450, E0460, E0461, E0463 or E0464 with dates of service including January 1, 2016, and greater, you will need to send a Prior Authorization Data Correction Form (FA-29) to Hewlett Packard Enterprise to request the January 1 and greater dates of service be changed to code E0465 or E0466. An upcoming web announcement will provide detailed instructions.
- Effective with dates of service on or after January 1, 2016, prior authorization requests need to use E0465 or E0466.

Please note: Claims for codes E0465 and E0466 will deny until the codes are updated in the system. Please submit your claims as usual even though they will deny. You do not need to resubmit the claims after they deny, because the affected claims will be automatically reprocessed. Providers will be notified in future web announcements when the codes are updated and will no longer deny, and when the claims will be reprocessed.

If the claim denials resulting from these changes create a financial hardship, PT 33 providers may request advance payments by sending an email to Hewlett Packard Enterprise at NevadaProviderTraining@hpe.com. Enter "Advance Payment Request/Financial Hardship" in the subject line and include in the email: the amount of the advance requested; the reason for the request; the provider's National Provider Identifier (NPI) under the PT 33 designation; and the provider's name, address and telephone number. Please allow several business days for the request to be processed.