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MEMORANDUM

To: Durable Medical Equipment/Disposable Supplies Providers

From: Deneen Ratchford, Supervisor

Date: July 24, 2009

Re: Repair of purchased DME

The purpose of this memo is to advise our providers of Maryland Medicaid's policy regarding the billing of repairs to purchased Durable Medical Equipment. Currently, the procedure code used for billing repairs is E1340. Effective August 1, 2009, the Program will follow Medicare's guidelines by replacing E1340 with procedure code K0739. This service is reimbursed \$ 13.41 in 15 minute increments with a maximum of 12 units for each repair. Providers should only bill the units of service needed for each repair, remembering that the narrative information itemizing each repair and the time taken should be maintained in the recipient's file. Any claims submitted on or after August 1, 2009 using E1340 will be denied for payment.

In accordance with COMAR 10.09.12.04(3)F, durable medical equipment purchased by Maryland Medicaid shall be reimbursed when deemed medically necessary by a prescriber. Included in the repair is the in-home/office assessment and diagnostic testing of the equipment.

Any questions regarding this correspondence should be directed to the Staff Specialist at 410-767-1739 or emailed to DCSS@dhmh.state.md.us.