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Message: OMAP is sending the attached letter to DMEPOS providers announcing a cost-of-living (COLA) rate increase for OHP services, effective October 1, 2005.

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To: OHP DMEPOS Providers

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Subject: **DMEPOS 3.2% COLA effective 10/01/05**

The legislatively adopted budget for 2005-07 includes a 3.2 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for DMEPOS providers, effective October 1, 2005.

Payment amounts will be recalculated. The new maximum allowable rates will not exceed Medicare rates. The revised fee schedule is currently in development. We will notify you when it is complete.

In addition, as agreed upon by the DMEPOS Policy Advisory Committee work group, protective underwear codes will be priced the same as corresponding brief/diaper codes.

OMAP posts this and other provider announcements online at

http://egov.oregon.gov/DHS/healthplan/notices_providers/main.shtml

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<http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/healthplan/guides/dme/main.html>

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