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Message:

DMAP sent the following letters about a November 1, 2007, rate reduction for Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics and Supplies (DMEPOS). The distribution list includes DME providers, pharmacies and a special mailing to hospital discharge planners.

If providers call and say they weren't notified, remind them to eSubscribe to our Provider Announcement Web page at

<www.oregon.gov/DHS/healthplan/notices_providers/main.shtml>.

If you have any questions about this information, contact:

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To: DMAP Hospital Discharge Planners

From: Jean Phillips, Interim Deputy Administrator

Subject: Rate Reductions for Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics,
Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS)



Effective November 1, 2007, the Division of Medical Assistance Programs (DMAP) will implement the fee-for-service reductions for DMEPOS as a result of action taken during the 2007 Legislative session. **No changes have been made to eligibility for or coverage of DMEPOS services for clients. OHP managed care plan capitation rates are not affected and have not been reduced.**

Not all DMEPOS fee-for-service rates are being reduced. Rates for DMEPOS that are not generally covered by Medicare, but are covered by the Oregon Health Plan (OHP), will not be reduced. This includes items such as incontinence supplies and toileting/bath supplies.

If you run into difficulty finding DME (*e.g.*, oxygen or wheelchairs especially) for patients going home, call the DMAP Client Services Unit, 800-273-0557, for help.

If you have questions regarding the DME rate change, please contact our DMEPOS Policy Analyst at Rosanne.M.Harksen@state.or.us or Policy Unit Manager at Sharon.K.Hill@state.or.us.

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