

DME Quarter Rate Update for Select HCPCS Codes

Effective February 1, 2017, reimbursement rates for selected Durable Medical Equipment (DME) HCPCS codes will be updated to reflect current Medi-Cal rates. Medi-Cal rates for impacted codes were updated in July 2016 with an effective date of October 1, 2015. The update is in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code (W&I Code) Section 14105.48, which instructs that Medi-Cal rates for DME codes do not exceed 80% of the Medicare rate. The Alliance has determined a future implementation date of February 1, 2017; thus, no recovery and correction will occur.

More information on the update and links to the relevant Medi-Cal provider manual sections (Adult Day Health Care Centers, Audiology and Hearing Aids, Rehabilitation Clinics, Durable Medical Equipment, Orthotics and Prosthetics, Pharmacy, Therapies) are available in the July 1, 2016 DME Medi-Cal Bulletin: Item 4, "DME Quarterly Update for Selected HCPCS Codes" located at files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/bulletins/artfull/dme201607.asp.