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Web Announcement 1682

Attention Provider Type 33 (Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies):

Claims for Oxygen Codes E0441, E0443 and E0444

Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS) claims for procedure codes E0441 (Stationary oxygen contents, gaseous, 1 month's supply = 1 unit), E0443 (Portable oxygen contents, gaseous, 1 month's supply = 1 unit) and E0444 (Portable oxygen contents, liquid, 1 month's supply = 1 unit) have been paid using a cutback payment logic in error.

The codes received a prior authorization (PA) for 12 units (1 unit per month), but the available PA units were not updated correctly in the Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS), which resulted in denials or payments in error.

Any impacted claims, with dates of service on or after July 30, 2016, through July 30, 2018, that denied with edit code 0162 (Number of procedures exceeds number authorized) due to unavailability of PA units caused by other paid claims from the same PA, will be automatically reprocessed. A future web announcement will notify providers when any claims will be reprocessed.

Claims for codes E0441, E0443 and E0444 with dates of service on or after July 30, 2016, through July 30, 2018, that paid using the cutback payment logic have been automatically reprocessed. Results of these reprocessed claims appear on remittance advices dated September 14, 2018.