



Dear Provider,

This communication provides important billing information for oxygen coverage following the implementation of the 21st Century Cures Act on January 1, 2018. If you do not bill for oxygen, please disregard this message.

The following codes are used for Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program) oxygen coverage:

Procedure Code	Modifier	Unit
E0424	RR	Stationary Gas System Monthly Rental
E0431	RR	Portable Gas System Monthly Rental
E0434	RR	Portable Liquid System Monthly Rental
E0439	RR	Stationary Gas System Monthly Rental
E0441	RR	Gaseous Oxygen Contents Monthly Rental, any LPM
E0442	RR	Liquid Oxygen Contents Monthly Rental, any LPM
E1390	RR	Concentrator Monthly Rental
E1391	RR	Portable Concentrator Monthly Rental
E1392	RR	Portable Concentrator Monthly Rental
K0738	RR	Portable Homefill System

The Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (the Department) has proposed to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to match Medicare's payment for Durable Medical Equipment (DME), including oxygen. Medicare does not have a rate for procedure code E0439 with modifier TT, which Health First Colorado was using up until January 1, 2018, to reimburse for liquid oxygen storage at nursing facilities. The Department is working with CMS to allow use of the E1390 TT payment rate. Suppliers should not bill for the oxygen room tanks in nursing facilities used to fill portable systems until informed that the payment is approved.

Health First Colorado only uses two codes for contents, one for gas and one for liquid, no matter which system is supplied.

In the nursing facility, Health First Colorado covers a concentrator at a monthly rate (no longer an hourly rate), a portable system, and contents. If the patient does not have a concentrator, a stationary system is covered. The shared stationary system is not covered at present.

In the home, Health First Colorado covers a concentrator, stationary system, portable system, and contents. A stationary system and concentrator cannot be supplied to the same patient.

For nursing facilities on a central distribution system for oxygen, the contents should be billed using S8120 or S8121 on a volume used unit submission and no concentrator should be in use.

Health First Colorado does not purchase or cap rental of oxygen supplies.

Most claims for oxygen contents after January 1, 2018, will have to be rebilled using the RR modifier.

Thank you,

Department of Health Care Policy & Financing

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