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Attention Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Providers

As a reminder, effective 6/13/2022, when prior-authorization is required (<u>Pre-Auth Check Tool</u>) for Exceptional DME (equipment as defined in *Pennsylvania Bulletin* 49 Pa.B 3542), these requests are initiated by either the ordering, referring or prescribing (O/R/P) physician or the DME provider by fax or submission through PHW's secure provider portal. DME requires a script from an O/R/P physician. Related resources can be found online"

- 1. Revisit our 2022 DME informational Session: Register here to view the recording.
- 2. Access the Training Materials Here.
- 3. PA Health & Wellness EDME/DME FAQ Document can be found here.

Important Billing Reminder

All Durable Medical Equipment & supplies rendered to a PHW Community HealthChoices (CHC) Participant residing in a Nursing Facility that do not meet the criteria for Exceptional DME (equipment as defined in Pennsylvania Bulletin 49 Pa.B 3542) are not eligible for reimbursement by PHW and should be billed directly to the Facility.

Reimbursement for all Durable Medical Equipment & supplies that do not meet the criteria for Exceptional DME is included in the per diem for PHW Network Nursing Facilities. Per Diem is defined as the rate paid to a Provider for each day of an inpatient admission of a Covered Person or for all outpatient services provided to a Covered Person for one calendar date of service including but not limited to Durable Medical Equipment and supplies.

Durable Medical Equipment & supplies that do not meet the criteria for Exceptional DME billed to PHW for a CHC Member residing in a Nursing Facility on the date of service will be subject to denial or recoupment.

If you have any questions, please reach out to PHWProviderRelations@PAHealthWellness.com.

Thank you for your continued partnership and we look forward to serving the Community HealthChoices participants in PA together.



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