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MEMORANDUM

TO:	Disposable Medical Supplies, Durable Medical Equipment, and Oxygen and Related Respiratory Equipment Providers
FROM:	Deneen Ratchford-Price, Supervisor Division of Community Support Services
DATE:	May 15, 2014
RE:	Ventilator supply billing

This memo clarifies the billing of ventilator supplies as stated in COMAR 10.09.18.05.

The Program will not reimburse any replacement parts for rented ventilators as these items are included in the assigned monthly rental rate. This consists of any additional tubing and accessories required to meet the medical need of the recipient. Seeking reimbursement separately for these items is inappropriate, and will result in the recoupment of payments. Additionally, any prepayment authorization requests received for these items will be returned to the provider.

Any questions regarding this memo should be directed to a Staff Specialist at (410) 767-1739 or emailed to <u>dhmh.dcss@maryland.gov</u>