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TO: Disposable Medical Supplies/Durable Medical Equipment Providers

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SUBJECT: New Approved List of Items

The Maryland Medical Assistance Program has updated the Disposable Medical Supplies/Durable Medical Equipment (DMS/DME) Approved List of Items, effective January 1, 2006. This list replaces all previous lists.

This list includes new HCPCS codes. To comply with COMAR 10.09.12.07-Payment Procedures, new fees for 2006 were added and are indicated in bold.

As a reminder, when requesting prepayment authorization for an item please be careful to use the correct procedure code (s) in order to facilitate approval of the item. The authorization staff will not code items for you. All incomplete and incorrectly coded requests will be returned, thereby delaying approval of the item (s). Also, please do not "lump" together several items under one miscellaneous code when there are codes available for each item, e.g. wheelchairs and accessories.

Please note that procedure code A5120 (skin barrier wipes or swabs) should not be used to bill for regular tub wipes that are used for cleansing. Skin barrier wipes are sold in individual packages and are used as a protective covering and are often medicated. Tub wipes do not meet the definition for medical supplies pursuant to COMAR 10.09.12.01.

If you have questions concerning this list or would like an electronic copy in Excel format, you may call 410-767-1739 or email howardc@dhmh.state.md.us or lockhartj@dhmh.state.md.us. The new Approved List of Items can also be reviewed at www.dhmh.state.md.us/mma/communitysupport.

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