
WISCONSIN MEDICAID UPDATE

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TO:

Blood Banks
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Home Health Agencies
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DMS Quantity Limits

Change in Medicaid monitoring of quantity limits

Effective immediately, Wisconsin Medicaid is changing how it monitors DMS (disposable medical supplies) quantity limits. We will now monitor monthly quantity limits based on units provided in a calendar month rather than a 30-day period.

For example, if a quantity of 35 per month is allowed, Wisconsin Medicaid will allow a maximum of 35 in each month (February, March, April, etc.).

Also, if a quantity of one is allowed per quarter (every three months), Wisconsin Medicaid will allow one during a three calendar-month period (e.g., February-March-April.)

Wisconsin Medicaid will monitor quantities allowed per year by the calendar year (e.g., January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1997).

In the past, Wisconsin Medicaid monitored monthly quantity limits over a rolling 30-day period. Monitoring the quantity by calendar month eliminates the need for providers and recipients to count the 30 days.

Follow up on claims denied or cut back inappropriately

Providers are responsible for following up on claims that they believe Wisconsin Medicaid denied or cut back inappropriately due to quantity limits.

If Wisconsin Medicaid denied an entire claim, submit a new claim. If you received partial payment on a claim, submit an adjustment form.

Refer to Section X in Part A, the all-provider handbook, for instructions on submitting adjustments. Call EDS at (800) 947-9627 or (608) 221-9883 if you have questions about a claim denial.

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