

Disposable Medical Supplies

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SUBJECT: Wisconsin Medicaid Disposable Medical Supplies Handbook

The Division of Health Care Financing is pleased to provide you with a copy of the new Wisconsin Medicaid Disposable Medical Supplies Handbook.

All policies in this handbook are effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2003. The January 1, 2003, effective date allows providers time to become familiar with the new handbook.

The Disposable Medical Supplies Handbook incorporates all current Wisconsin Medicaid disposable medical supplies information into a single reference source that is easy to use and understand. It replaces almost all prior disposable medical supplies publications. It does **not** replace:

- *Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update* (2002-43), "Changes to the Disposable Medical Supplies Index/Maximum Allowable Fee Schedule."
- The All-Provider Handbook and all-provider *Updates*.
- The Durable Medical Equipment Handbook.
- The Wisconsin Administrative Code.
- Wisconsin Statutes.

Subsequent changes to the disposable medical supplies policy will be published, first in *Updates*, and then in Disposable Medical Supplies Handbook revisions.

We would like to thank everyone who reviewed this handbook, including the Pharmacy Society of Wisconsin, Rehab Concepts, Walgreens Health Initiatives, Westhill Rehab, and the Wisconsin Association of Medical Equipment Suppliers.

Additional Copies of Publications

All *Updates* and the Disposable Medical Supplies Handbook can be downloaded from the Medicaid Web site at www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid/.

Other Sources of Information

This handbook replaces the disposable medical supply information contained in the Durable Medical Equipment Handbook and *Update* (97-03), “Disposable medical supplies quantity limits.”

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Important Telephone Numbers

The Wisconsin Medicaid Eligibility Verification System (EVS) is available through the following resources to verify checkwrite information, claim status, prior authorization status, provider certification, and/or recipient eligibility.

Service	Information available	Telephone number	Hours
Automated Voice Response (AVR) System (Computerized voice response to provider inquiries.)	Checkwrite Information Claim Status Prior Authorization Status Recipient Eligibility*	(800) 947-3544 (608) 221-4247 (Madison area)	24 hours a day/ 7 days a week
Personal Computer Software and Magnetic Stripe Card Readers	Recipient Eligibility*	Refer to Provider Resources section of the All-Provider Handbook for a list of commercial eligibility verification vendors.	24 hours a day/ 7 days a week
Provider Services (Correspondents assist with questions.)	Checkwrite Information Claim Status Prior Authorization Status Provider Certification Recipient Eligibility*	(800) 947-9627 (608) 221-9883	Policy/Billing and Eligibility: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (M, W-F) 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (T) Pharmacy: 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (M, W-F) 9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (T)
Direct Information Access Line with Updates for Providers (Dial-Up) (Software communications package and modem.)	Checkwrite Information Claim Status Prior Authorization Status Recipient Eligibility*	Call (608) 221-4746 for more information.	7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (M-F)
Recipient Services (Recipients or persons calling on behalf of recipients only.)	Recipient Eligibility Medicaid-Certified Providers General Medicaid Information	(800) 362-3002 (608) 221-5720	7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (M-F)

* Please use the information exactly as it appears on the recipient's identification card or the EVS to complete the patient information section on claims and other documentation. Recipient eligibility information available through the EVS includes:

- Dates of eligibility.
- Medicaid managed care program name and telephone number.
- Privately purchased managed care or other commercial health insurance coverage.
- Medicare coverage.
- Lock-In Program status.
- Limited benefit information.

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Preface

The Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Disposable Medical Supplies Handbook is issued to providers who dispense disposable medical supplies and who are Wisconsin Medicaid certified. It contains information that applies to *fee-for-service* Medicaid providers. The Medicaid information in the handbook applies to both Medicaid and BadgerCare.

Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare are administered by the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS). Within the DHFS, the Division of Health Care Financing (DHCF) is directly responsible for managing Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare. As of January 2002, BadgerCare extends Medicaid coverage to uninsured children and parents with incomes at or below 185% of the federal poverty level and who meet other program requirements. BadgerCare recipients receive the same health benefits as Wisconsin Medicaid recipients and their health care is administered through the same delivery system.

Medicaid and BadgerCare recipients enrolled in state-contracted HMOs are entitled to at least the same benefits as fee-for-service recipients; however, HMOs may establish their own requirements regarding prior authorization, billing, etc. If you are an HMO network provider, contact your managed care organization regarding its requirements. Information contained in this and other Medicaid publications is used by the DHCF to resolve disputes regarding covered benefits that cannot be handled internally by HMOs under managed care arrangements.

Verifying Eligibility

Wisconsin Medicaid providers should always verify a recipient's eligibility before providing services, both to determine eligibility for the current date and to discover any limitations to the recipient's coverage. Wisconsin Medicaid's Eligibility Verification System (EVS) provides eligibility information that providers can access a number of ways.

Refer to the Important Telephone Numbers page at the beginning of this handbook for detailed information on the methods of verifying eligibility.

Handbook Organization

The Disposable Medical Supplies Handbook consists of the following chapters:

- General Information.
- Covered Services.
- Prior Authorization.
- Claims Submission.

In addition to the Disposable Medical Supplies Handbook, each Medicaid-certified provider is issued a copy of the All-Provider Handbook. The All-Provider Handbook includes the following sections:

- Claims Submission.
- Coordination of Benefits.
- Covered and Noncovered Services.
- Prior Authorization.
- Provider Certification.
- Provider Resources.
- Provider Rights and Responsibilities.
- Recipient Rights and Responsibilities.

Legal Framework of Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare

The following laws and regulations provide the legal framework for Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare:

Federal Law and Regulation

- Law: United States Social Security Act; Title XIX (42 US Code ss. 1396 and following) and Title XXI.
- Regulation: Title 42 CFR Parts 430-498 — Public Health.

Wisconsin Law and Regulation

- Law: Wisconsin Statutes: Sections 49.43-49.499 and 49.665.
- Regulation: Wisconsin Administrative Code, Chapters HFS 101-108.

Handbooks and *Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Updates* further interpret and implement these laws and regulations.

Handbooks and *Updates*, maximum allowable fee schedules, helpful telephone numbers and addresses, and much more information about Wisconsin Medicaid

and BadgerCare are available at the following Web sites:

www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid/

www.dhfs.state.wi.us/badgercare/.

Medicaid Fiscal Agent

The DHFS contracts with a fiscal agent, which is currently EDS.

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General Information

Disposable medical supplies (DMS) are medically necessary items which have a limited life expectancy and are consumable, expendable, disposable, or nondurable.

Disposable medical supplies (DMS) are medically necessary items which have a limited life expectancy and are consumable, expendable, disposable, or nondurable. To qualify for Wisconsin Medicaid coverage, all DMS must:

- Be necessary and reasonable for treating a recipient's illness, injury, or disability.
- Be prescribed.
- Be suitable for the recipient's residence.
- Be useful to a recipient who is ill, injured, or disabled.
- Serve a primary medical purpose.

Scope of Service

The policies in this handbook govern services provided within the scope of professional practice as defined in ss. 49, Wis. Stats., and HFS 105.40 and 107.24, Wis. Admin. Code. Please refer to the Covered Services chapter of this handbook for more information on covered services and related limitations.

Provider Certification

Disposable medical supplies may only be provided by certified Wisconsin Medicaid providers, including:

- Clinics.
- Durable medical equipment vendors.
- Hearing instrument specialists (for hearing aid batteries only).
- Home care agencies.
- Nursing homes.
- Orthotists.
- Outpatient hospitals.
- Pharmacies.
- Physicians.
- Prosthetists.
- Therapists.

Recipient Information

Wisconsin Medicaid providers should always verify a recipient's eligibility before delivering services to determine eligibility for that date of service, to discover any limitations to the recipient's coverage, and to determine if the recipient is enrolled in a Wisconsin Medicaid managed care program. Wisconsin Medicaid's Eligibility Verification System (EVS) provides eligibility information that providers can access a number of ways.

Refer to the Important Telephone Numbers page at the beginning of this handbook for more information on the EVS.

Disposable Medical Supplies and Managed Care

Wisconsin Medicaid requires providers to verify if a recipient is enrolled in a Wisconsin Medicaid managed care program before providing services. Wisconsin Medicaid denies claims submitted for services covered by Medicaid managed care programs.

If a recipient is enrolled in a managed care program, providers are required to submit claims to that managed care program. In most cases, the provider is required to be part of the managed care program's provider network to receive reimbursement from the managed care program. The contract between the managed care program and its affiliated providers establishes all conditions of payment and prior authorization for DMS services.

Contact the recipient's managed care program for further information.

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Covered Services

Wisconsin Medicaid will only reimburse a service if the recipient was eligible on the date he or she received the service.

This chapter outlines covered services and related limitations for disposable medical supplies (DMS). Refer to the DMS Index/Maximum Allowable Fee Schedule (referred to in this handbook as the DMS Index) for specific coverage and limitations (such as prior authorization [PA] requirements). Refer to “Explanation of the Disposable Medical Supplies Index” in this chapter for more information on the DMS Index. Wisconsin Medicaid will only reimburse a service if the recipient was eligible on the date he or she received the service.

Medical Necessity

Wisconsin Medicaid only reimburses services that are medically necessary as defined under HFS 101.03(96m), Wis. Admin. Code.

Wisconsin Medicaid will not reimburse or will recoup payment from providers for a service if that service fails to meet Wisconsin Medicaid medical necessity requirements.

A medically necessary service is defined as a covered service that:

- a. Is required to prevent, identify, or treat a recipient’s illness, injury, or disability.
- b. Meets the following standards:
 1. Is consistent with the recipient’s symptoms or with prevention, diagnosis or treatment of the recipient’s illness, injury, or disability;
 2. Is provided consistent with standards of acceptable quality of care applicable to the type of service, the type of provider and the setting in which the service is provided;
 3. Is appropriate with regard to generally accepted standards of medical practice;
 4. Is not medically contraindicated with regard to the recipient’s diagnoses, the

recipient’s symptoms or other medically necessary services being provided to the recipient;

5. Is of proven medical value or usefulness and, consistent with s. HFS 107.035, Wis. Admin. Code, is not experimental in nature;
6. Is not duplicative with respect to other services being provided to the recipient;
7. Is not solely for the convenience of the recipient, the recipient’s family or a provider;
8. With respect to prior authorization of a service and to other prospective coverage determinations made by the department, is cost-effective compared to an alternative medically necessary service that is reasonably accessible to the recipient; and
9. Is the most appropriate supply or level of service that can be safely and effectively provided to the recipient.

Covered Services

As stated in HFS 107.24(2)(d), Wis. Admin. Code, Wisconsin Medicaid covers the following categories of DMS:

- Colostomy, urostomy, ileostomy appliances.
- Contraceptive supplies (provided by pharmacies and family planning clinics).
- Diabetic urine and blood testing supplies.
- Dressings.
- Gastric feeding/enteral sets and supplies.
- Hearing aid or assistive listening device batteries.
- Incontinence supplies, catheters, irrigation apparatus.
- Parenteral supplies.

- Tracheostomy and endotracheal care supplies.
- Ventilator supplies.

Refer to “Diabetic Supplies” and “Diapers and Liners” in this chapter for additional information and requirements on diabetic supplies and diapers and liners, respectively.

Diabetic Supplies

Wisconsin Medicaid covers diabetic supplies for recipients with either Type 1 or Type 2 diabetes when:

- The appropriate documentation is maintained in the recipient’s medical record (refer to the Provider Rights and Responsibilities section of the All-Provider Handbook for more information on maintaining recipient records).
- The frequency of testing is determined by the physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner treating the recipient’s diabetes.
- The recipient is under the care of a physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner.
- The supplies are for home use only.

Note: Diabetic supplies provided to nursing home recipients are included in the nursing home daily rate and are not separately reimbursable.

Refer to “Prescriptions for Disposable Medical Supplies” in this chapter for specific information on prescriptions for diabetic supplies.

Diapers and Liners

Wisconsin Medicaid only covers diapers (disposable and cloth) and liners for recipients who meet the medical necessity requirements as outlined under “Medical Necessity” in this chapter. Wisconsin Medicaid will not reimburse for diapers or liners in the following situations:

- When diapers are provided solely for the convenience of the recipient, the recipient’s family, or the provider.
- When diapers and liners are provided to children under four years of age.

Note: Diapers provided to nursing home recipients are included in the nursing home daily rate and are not separately reimbursable.

Noncovered Services

As stated in HFS 101.03(103), Wis. Admin. Code, a noncovered service is a service, item, or supply for which Medicaid reimbursement is not available. This includes the following:

- A service considered by the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) consultants to be medically unnecessary, unreasonable, or inappropriate.
- A service for which PA has been denied.
- A service listed as noncovered in HFS 107.03, Wis. Admin. Code.

According to HFS 107.24(5), Wis. Admin. Code, Wisconsin Medicaid does not cover the following as DMS:

- Services denied by Medicare for lack of medical necessity.
- Items which are not primarily medical in nature.
- Items which are not appropriate for home usage.
- Items which are not generally accepted by the medical profession as being therapeutically effective.
- Items which are for comfort and convenience.
- Hearing aid or other assistive listening device batteries which are provided in excess of the DMS Index guidelines.
- Food.
- Infant formula and enteral nutritional products, as noted under HFS 107.10(4)(s) and (t), Wis. Admin. Code. (Refer to the Pharmacy Handbook for more information on these items.)

Wisconsin Medicaid only covers diapers (disposable and cloth) and liners for recipients who meet the medical necessity requirements as outlined under “Medical Necessity” in this chapter.

Prescriptions for Disposable Medical Supplies

As stated in HFS 107.24(4)(b) and 107.02(2m), Wis. Admin. Code, DMS provided to dual entitlees *always* require a valid prescription, even when Medicare does not require a prescription for those items.

As stated in HFS 107.02(2m)(9), Wis. Admin. Code, all DMS, except for hearing aid batteries, require a prescription signed by a physician, a physician assistant, or a nurse practitioner.

Except as otherwise stated in state or federal law, the prescription must be in writing, or given orally and later reduced to writing by the provider filling the order. The prescription must include the following information:

- Date of the order.
- Name and address of the prescriber.
- Name and address of the recipient.
- Name and quantity of the prescribed item.
- Diagnosis or medical necessity for the item.
- Directions for use of the prescribed item.
- Prescriber's signature.

Prescriptions are valid for no more than one year from the date written.

Providers who dispense DMS are reminded that Wisconsin Medicaid will only reimburse for either:

- Items that are listed in the DMS Index. (Refer to "Explanation of the Disposable Medical Supplies Index" in this chapter for more information on the DMS Index.)
- Items that are not listed in the DMS Index but meet the medical necessity criteria as defined under HFS 101.03(96m), Wis. Admin. Code. (These items always require PA.)

Prescriptions for Diabetic Supplies

In addition to the standard information required on all prescriptions for DMS, a prescription for

diabetic supplies must include the following information:

- The items, supplies, and accessories needed.
- The quantities to be dispensed.
- The frequency of use.

In addition, the provider is responsible for documenting the diagnosis (*International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification* or narrative) of diabetes (250.0-250.9, 648.0 and 648.8) and the source of this information.

Other requirements and limitations for the prescription of diabetic supplies include:

- The prescription is valid for up to 12 months and must be renewed with a new written prescription by the treating physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner.
- For continued coverage of test strips and lancets, the treating physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, recipient, or the recipient's caregiver is required to initiate the renewal prescription with a valid prescription. *A supplier may not initiate the renewal prescription for these items.*
- The renewal prescription must contain the following information:
 - ✓ The items, supplies, and accessories needed.
 - ✓ The quantities to be dispensed.
 - ✓ The frequency of use.
- An initial or renewal prescription for supplies and equipment "as needed" is *not valid* for Wisconsin Medicaid. The quantity must be indicated.

Prescriptions for Dual Entitlees

As stated in HFS 107.24(4)(b) and 107.02(2m), Wis. Admin. Code, DMS provided to dual entitlees *always* require a valid prescription, even when Medicare does not require a prescription for those items. As

described in the Claims Submission chapter of this handbook, dual entitlements are those recipients who are eligible for coverage by both Wisconsin Medicaid and Medicare Part A, Part B, or both.

Explanation of the Disposable Medical Supplies Index

The DMS Index lists the items covered by Wisconsin Medicaid, the maximum allowable fee for each item, and the limitations applicable to each code.

Wisconsin Medicaid periodically updates the DMS Index. For reference purposes, providers are encouraged to retain their current copy of the DMS Index when new copies are issued. (Providers should retain the current copy until all claims submitted during the dates of service (DOS) covered by that copy are resolved.) Providers should use the DMS Index appropriate for the DOS when submitting claims or Adjustment Request Forms.

Please refer to Appendix 4 of this handbook for a key to reading the DMS Index.

Providers may access an interactive, online version of the DMS Index on Wisconsin Medicaid's Web site at www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid/.

Providers may also:

- Download an electronic Portable Document File (PDF) version from Wisconsin Medicaid's Web site at www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid/.
- Purchase additional copies of the DMS Index by calling Provider Services at (800) 947-9627 or (608) 221-9883, or by writing to:

Wisconsin Medicaid
Provider Maintenance
6406 Bridge Rd
Madison WI 53784-0006

Contact Provider Services for the cost of the fee schedule.

Preparing and Maintaining Records

All providers are required to prepare and maintain truthful, accurate, complete, legible, and concise medical documentation and financial records according to HFS 106.02(9)(a) and (b), Wis. Admin. Code.

Refer to the Provider Rights and Responsibilities section of the All-Provider Handbook for more information on recordkeeping requirements.

Disposable Medical Supplies Used by Providers

Wisconsin Medicaid does not separately reimburse providers for otherwise covered DMS used during the course of providing a reimbursable service. (For example, Wisconsin Medicaid will not provide separate reimbursement for gloves used in a home care visit.) This includes, but is not limited to, supplies mandated by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Certain DMS are not separately reimbursable when provided during the course of the following services:

- Home care.
- Nursing home.
- Occupational therapy.
- Physical therapy.
- Speech and language pathology.

Note: Home care, nursing home, personal care, and private duty nursing providers should refer to the DMS Index to determine what items are included in the home care and nursing home daily rates. Please note that disposable underpads (procedure code A4554), are only included in the home care rate

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when used for purposes *other than* incontinence or for bowel and bladder programs.

These costs cannot be reimbursed separately by Wisconsin Medicaid and cannot be billed to the recipient.

Disposable Medical Supplies Used by Noncertified Individuals

Wisconsin Medicaid will provide separate reimbursement to providers for supplies if they are used by a noncertified individual, such as a family member, to provide nonreimbursable care to the recipient. In this case the noncertified individual would receive the DMS from a provider authorized to dispense DMS.

The provision of all DMS is required to meet the policies outlined in this handbook, including the prescription requirements, for the provider to receive reimbursement from Wisconsin Medicaid.

Disposable Medical Supplies Provided to Nursing Home Recipients

The Nursing Home Handbook and DMS Index indicate that most DMS are included in the daily rate for nursing homes and are not separately reimbursable. This includes:

- Incontinence supplies.
- Personal comfort supplies.
- Medical supplies.

In addition, Wisconsin Medicaid does not reimburse providers when recipients residing in nursing homes specifically choose to purchase DMS (other than nursing home stock items) with their personal needs account. (This policy applies only to DMS not considered medically necessary, and, therefore, not covered by Wisconsin Medicaid. The recipient is responsible for reimbursing the provider in this instance. Providers are required to notify the

recipient in advance that he or she will be responsible for the cost of these supplies.)

Wisconsin Medicaid will only separately reimburse providers for DMS provided to nursing home recipients when:

- The items are not included in the nursing home daily rate, as indicated in the DMS Index or the Methods of Implementation. (Refer to the Nursing Home Handbook for more information on the Methods of Implementation.)
- The recipients' medical conditions meet the criteria for exceptional supplies. (Refer to "Exceptional Supplies" in this chapter for more information.)

Providers should submit claims for Medicaid-covered DMS that are not included in the nursing home daily rate on the CMS 1500 claim form. Refer to the Claims Submission chapter of this handbook for more information on claims submission.

Exceptional Supplies

Providers may receive reimbursement for certain DMS and durable medical equipment provided to nursing home recipients whose medical conditions make them eligible for exceptional supplies. To be eligible for exceptional supply needs, recipients must either:

- Be ventilator dependent.
- Have a tracheostomy that requires extensive care at least twice in an eight hour period of time.

The exceptional supply procedure code allows Wisconsin Medicaid to separately reimburse certain supplies and equipment that are usually included in the nursing home daily rate.

Covered supplies are limited to those directly needed for the care and diagnosis of the above conditions, as defined in HFS 101.03(96m) and HFS 107.24(3), Wis. Admin. Code.

Providers should submit claims for Medicaid-covered DMS that are not included in the nursing home daily rate on the CMS 1500 claim form.

Exceptional supplies require PA. Refer to Appendix 3 of this handbook for more information on exceptional supplies and PA.

HealthCheck “Other Services”

Medically necessary services that are not otherwise covered by Wisconsin Medicaid or that exceed Medicaid limitations may be covered under the HealthCheck “Other Services” program when prior authorized. (HealthCheck is Wisconsin Medicaid’s name for the federally mandated childhood preventive health program known as Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment [EPSDT].)

HealthCheck “Other Services” may include DMS that meet the medical necessity criteria, but are not listed as a covered service by Wisconsin Medicaid. The DMS may be covered when prior authorized. Refer to the Prior Authorization chapter of this handbook for PA information.

Refer to the Covered and Noncovered Services section of the All-Provider Handbook for HealthCheck “Other Services” coverage and limitation information.

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Prior Authorization

When the quantity of the prescribed DMS will exceed the limit, providers should receive PA approval *before* dispensing any quantity, including the quantity available without PA.

In specific circumstances, prior authorization (PA) is required to dispense disposable medical supplies (DMS). Refer to the Prior Authorization section of the All-Provider Handbook for detailed information on seeking PA as it applies to all providers.

Providers should obtain PA, when required, *before* providing a service. Payment is not made for services provided either before the grant date or after the expiration date on the approved Prior Authorization Request Form (PA/RF). If the provider delivers a service that requires PA without first obtaining PA, the *provider* is responsible for the cost of the service.

Prior authorization does not guarantee reimbursement from Wisconsin Medicaid. Provider eligibility, recipient eligibility, and medical status on the date of service, as well as all other Medicaid requirements, must be met before the claim is reimbursed.

When to Request Prior Authorization

Prior authorization is required for the following items:

- All DMS items that are not used for their intended purpose, such as a foley catheter used for a feeding tube.
- All DMS that exceed the maximum quantity limits listed in the DMS Index.
- All DMS that require PA, as indicated in the DMS Index.
- Exceptional supplies for nursing home recipients who meet the exceptional supplies criteria. (Refer to Appendix 3 of this handbook for more information on exceptional supplies.)
- Prescribed DMS that are not included in the DMS Index, but meet the medical necessity criteria for Medicaid coverage.

This includes the use of the “not otherwise classified” procedure code and similar procedure codes.

Providers requesting PA for DMS should submit a PA/RF and a Prior Authorization Durable Medical Equipment Attachment (PA/DMEA) to Wisconsin Medicaid.

Disposable Medical Supplies That Exceed Quantity Limits

Nearly all DMS listed in the DMS Index are available in the quantity stated without PA. (The DMS Index indicates which items require PA.) When a recipient whose medical needs for additional quantities exceed those limits, PA is required.

When the quantity of the prescribed DMS will exceed the limit, providers should receive PA approval *before* dispensing any quantity, including the quantity available without PA.

For example, if a recipient’s prescription is for 150 insulin syringes per calendar month (procedure code W1327) and the DMS Index specifies that 100 syringes are available per calendar month without PA, the provider is required to request PA for the entire 150 syringes. Indicate in Element 19 of the PA/RF that 150 syringes are needed per calendar month. In this example, the provider should receive PA approval before dispensing any of the 150 syringes.

Prior authorization requests for *additional* DMS must include the following:

- A copy of the prescription dated within six months of receipt by Wisconsin Medicaid.
- Documentation of current medical necessity, individualized for each recipient. (Documentation should be of sufficient detail and content related to the requested item and additional quantity.)

- The desired grant date, which is the first date the PA is effective and the earliest date that *any* of the DMS may be dispensed.
- The expected duration of need.
- The *total* quantity needed per calendar month. (The maximum quantity allowed in the DMS Index plus the additional quantity needed.)

Exceptional Supplies for Nursing Home Recipients

Refer to Appendix 3 of this handbook for more information on PA procedures for exceptional supplies for nursing home recipients.

Disposable Medical Supplies Not Listed in the Disposable Medical Supplies Index

Under some circumstances, a provider may need to dispense an item that is not listed in the DMS Index (i.e., the DMS Index does not list a procedure code for that item). Wisconsin Medicaid may prior authorize the dispensing of this item if the item meets the medical necessity criteria for coverage.

When submitting a PA/RF for supplies that are not listed in the DMS Index, providers should either:

- Use the procedure code of the item that most closely matches the DMS that the provider wants to dispense.
- Use the “not otherwise classified” procedure code (W6499) when the DMS Index does not list a similar procedure code for the DMS that the provider wants to dispense.

On the PA/RF, indicate:

- The procedure code in Element 14.
- The modifier “PA” in Element 15.

Prior authorization requests for a DMS item that is not listed in the index must include the following:

- A complete description of the item.
- Product information for the item.
- Documentation of medical necessity.
- The specific brand name and item number of the item.
- A copy of the manufacturer’s invoice.
- The quantity requested and the duration of use.
- A copy of the prescription dated within six months of receipt by Wisconsin Medicaid.

Prior Authorization and Coordination of Benefits

When DMS require Wisconsin Medicaid PA, and the recipient has commercial health insurance or Medicare coverage, the provider is encouraged, but not required, to obtain PA from Wisconsin Medicaid. This offers the provider the opportunity to receive reimbursement from Wisconsin Medicaid in the event that the commercial health insurance or Medicare does not provide reimbursement.

If the service is provided before PA is obtained, Wisconsin Medicaid will not backdate a PA request simply to enable the provider to receive reimbursement.

For managed care enrollees, providers should contact the enrollee’s managed care program for specific information on its PA policies and procedures.

Modifiers

When requesting PA for an item, providers are required to include the appropriate modifier for that item if the modifier is listed in the DMS Index. This is true even if the DMS Index indicates the modifier is not required for billing purposes.

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Wisconsin Medicaid makes all decisions on PA requests within the time frames outlined in the Prior Authorization section of the All-Provider Handbook, regardless of whether the requests are mailed or faxed.

Prior Authorization Forms

Providers who dispense DMS are required to use Wisconsin Medicaid's PA/RF and the PA/DMEA when seeking PA.

Each PA/RF has a unique seven-digit, pre-printed number in the upper center of the form. This number is the PA number that must be used on a claim because it identifies the service on the claim as a service that has been prior authorized.

Wisconsin Medicaid requires providers to submit each *new* request for PA on a *new* PA/RF so that the request is processed under a *new* number. Since the PA/RF number is used to identify a single PA request, do not photocopy this form for other requests.

Refer to Appendix 5 of this handbook for PA/RF completion instructions. Completed samples of PA/RFs are included in Appendices 6, 7, 8, and 9 of this handbook.

Refer to Appendix 10 of this handbook for PA/DMEA completion instructions. A completed sample PA/DMEA form is included in Appendix 11. The PA/DMEA sample is linked with the PA/RF sample in Appendix 6. A blank PA/DMEA is included in Appendix 12.

Providers may print copies of the PA/DMEA included in Appendix 12 of this handbook. Providers may also obtain copies of the PA/RF and PA/DMEA by calling Provider Services at (800) 947-9627 or (608) 221-9883, or by writing to:

Wisconsin Medicaid
Form Reorder
6406 Bridge Rd
Madison WI 53784-0003

Submission of Prior Authorization Forms

Providers have two choices for submitting completed PA requests:

- By fax.
- By mail.

Prior authorization requests received after 1 p.m. are processed on the following business day. Prior authorization requests received on Saturday, Sunday, or legal holidays are processed on the next business day.

Wisconsin Medicaid makes all decisions on PA requests within the time frames outlined in the Prior Authorization section of the All-Provider Handbook, regardless of whether the requests are faxed or mailed.

Note: Providers may only submit PA requests containing X-rays or photos by mail.

Submission by Fax

Providers may fax PA requests to Wisconsin Medicaid at (608) 221-8616.

When faxing PA requests, providers are required to submit all forms and documentation together; they should not fax the forms and then mail the supporting documentation separately. Providers should not submit PA requests by mail if they have already faxed their PA requests.

In addition, refaxing a PA request before the previous request has been returned will create duplicate PA requests and may result in delays.

It is not necessary to reduce the size of the PA request form to fit on the bottom half of the cover page. This makes the PA request difficult to read and leaves no space for consultants to write a response if needed or to sign requests.

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To help safeguard the confidentiality of patient health care records, providers should include a fax transmittal form containing a confidentiality statement as a cover sheet to all faxed PA requests. Providers are reminded to include their fax number on the transmittal form.

Response Back From Wisconsin Medicaid

Once Wisconsin Medicaid reviews a PA request, Wisconsin Medicaid will fax one of three responses back to the provider:

- “Your request(s) has been adjudicated. See attached PA request(s) for the final decision.”
- “Your request(s) requires additional information. See attached PA request(s). Fax the requested information with the same PA form immediately to expedite the finalization of your request.”
- “We are unable to read your faxed PA request. Please resubmit the same request.”

When additional information is requested, providers are required to resubmit the faxed copy of the entire original PA request, including attachments, with the additional information requested. If any attachments or additional information are received without the rest of the PA request, the information will be returned to the provider.

Providers are required to resubmit the faxed copy because it includes Wisconsin Medicaid’s 15-digit internal control number on the top-half of the form. This allows the provider to obtain the earliest possible grant date for the PA request (apart from backdating for retroactive eligibility).

Wisconsin Medicaid will mail the decision back to the provider if:

- The provider does not include his or her fax number on the transmittal form.
- The fax is not successfully transmitted after three attempts.

Submission by Mail

Providers may mail completed PA/RFs and PA/DMEAs to:

Wisconsin Medicaid
Prior Authorization
Ste 88
6406 Bridge Rd
Madison WI 53784-0088

For reference or further correspondence, providers are encouraged to photocopy their paperwork before sending it in.

Review of Prior Authorization Decisions

After review by Wisconsin Medicaid consultants, the PA request is:

- Approved.
- Approved with modification.
- Denied.
- Returned to the provider for additional clinical information or clarification.

Refer to the Prior Authorization section of the All-Provider Handbook for more information on each of these responses.

Only recipients can appeal modified or denied PA requests. When a request is modified or denied, the recipient receives a “Notice of Appeal Rights” letter. Refer to the Prior Authorization section of the All-Provider Handbook for a copy of this letter and for information on how a provider and a recipient may respond to Wisconsin Medicaid’s review of a PA request.

When additional information is requested, providers are required to resubmit the faxed copy of the entire original PA request, including attachments, with the additional information requested.

Amending Prior Authorization Requests

If a recipient's need for DMS changes during the time period approved on the PA/RF, the provider can request that the approved PA be amended. Providers should send a letter to Wisconsin Medicaid Prior Authorization and attach:

- A copy of the currently approved PA/RF.
- A copy of the physician's, physician assistant's, or nurse practitioner's order for additional DMS.

- Documentation of the medical necessity for additional DMS.
- The anticipated length of time the additional DMS will be needed.

Amended requests can be faxed to (608) 221-8616 or mailed to:

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Claims Submission

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Electronic Claims Submission

Providers who dispense disposable medical supplies (DMS) are encouraged to submit claims electronically. Electronic claims submission:

- Eliminates manual handling of claims.
- Reduces both billing and processing errors.
- Reduces processing time.

Wisconsin Medicaid provides free software for submitting claims electronically.

Providers who electronically submit claims are required to complete an Electronic Media Agreement Form. The form serves as the provider's signature. For more information on the Electronic Media Agreement Form, Wisconsin Medicaid's requirements for electronic claims submission, and general electronic claims submission information:

- Refer to the Claims Submission section of the All-Provider Handbook.
- Contact the Electronic Media Claims (EMC) Department at (608) 221-4746 and ask to speak with an EMC coordinator.

If you are currently using the free software and have technical questions, please contact Wisconsin Medicaid's software customer service at (800) 822-8050.

Paper Claims Submission

Providers submitting paper claims are required to use the CMS 1500 claim form (dated

12/90). Refer to Appendix 1 of this handbook for CMS 1500 claim form completion instructions. Appendix 2 of this handbook contains a completed sample of a CMS 1500 claim form for DMS services. Wisconsin Medicaid denies claims for DMS submitted on any paper claim form other than the CMS 1500 claim form.

Wisconsin Medicaid does not provide the CMS 1500 claim form. Providers may obtain copies of this form from vendors who sell federal forms.

Where to Send Your Claims

Mail completed CMS 1500 claim forms for reimbursement to the following address:

Wisconsin Medicaid
6406 Bridge Rd
Madison WI 53784-0002

Claims Submission Deadline

Wisconsin Medicaid will only consider for reimbursement complete and correct claims that are received within 365 days from the date the services were provided. This policy applies to all initial claims submissions, resubmissions, and adjustment requests.

Exceptions to the 365-day claims submission deadline and requirements for submission to Late Billing Appeals may be found in the Claims Submission section of the All-Provider Handbook. Providers may access the handbook online at www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid/.

Coordination of Benefits

Generally, Wisconsin Medicaid is the payer of last resort for any Medicaid-covered service.

If the recipient is covered under other insurance (including Medicare), Wisconsin Medicaid reimburses that portion of the allowable cost remaining after all other insurance sources have been exhausted.

Refer to the Coordination of Benefits section of the All-Provider Handbook for more detailed information on submitting claims to commercial health insurance and Medicare.

Medicare/Medicaid Dual Entitlement

Medicare may reimburse for DMS under Part B coverage. Medicare-certified providers are required to submit claims to Medicare prior to submitting claims to Wisconsin Medicaid for all DMS provided to dual entitlements or Qualified Medicare Beneficiary-Only (QMB Only) recipients.

The following providers are required to be certified by Medicare if they intend to provide a Medicare-covered service to a dual entitlement:

- Home care agencies.
- Medical equipment vendors.
- Pharmacies.
- Physicians.

In these instances, if the provider is not certified by Medicare, he or she should refer the dual entitlement to another Medicaid provider who is also Medicare-certified.

Refer to the Claims Submission section of the All-Provider Handbook for more information on dual entitlements and QMB-Only recipients.

Billed Amounts

Providers are required to bill their usual and customary charge for the service performed. The usual and customary charge is the provider’s charge for providing the same service to persons not entitled to Wisconsin Medicaid benefits. For providers using a sliding

fee scale for specific services, the usual and customary charge is the median (i.e., 50% of charges are above and 50% below) of the individual provider’s charge for the service when provided to non-Medicaid patients. Providers may not discriminate against Wisconsin Medicaid recipients by charging Wisconsin Medicaid a higher fee for the same service than that charged to a private-pay patient.

For providers that have not established usual and customary charges, the charge should be reasonably related to the provider’s cost to provide the service.

Recipient Copayment

Recipients are responsible for paying a copayment for all purchased DMS. The copayment schedule is based on each order per date of service (DOS). The copayment schedule is as follows:

Maximum Allowable Fee, per Procedure Code	Copayment Amount, per Date of Service
Up to \$10.00	\$0.50
From \$10.01 to \$25.00	\$1.00
From \$25.01 to \$50.00	\$2.00
Over \$50.00	\$3.00
Urine or blood test strips	\$0.50

Providers are required to request the copayment amount from recipients; however, they may not deny services to a recipient who fails to make a copayment.

Wisconsin Medicaid copayment amounts should not be deducted from charges submitted to Wisconsin Medicaid, nor should these copayment amounts be indicated in the “paid by other” element on claims submitted.

Providers are required to bill their usual and customary charge for the service performed.

Providers are reminded that the following services are exempt from copayment requirements:

- Emergency services.
- Family planning services and related supplies.
- Hospice care services.
- Home care services.
- Hearing aid batteries.
- Services covered by a Medicaid managed care program provided to enrollees of the managed care program.
- Services provided to a pregnant woman if the services are related to the pregnancy.
- Services provided to nursing home residents.
- Services provided to recipients under 18 years of age.

Please refer to the Recipient Rights and Responsibilities section of the All-Provider Handbook for more information on recipient copayment requirements.

Referring Providers

Claims for DMS (except for hearing aid batteries) require the referring provider's name and a Universal Provider Identification Number, license, or provider number in Elements 17 and 17a of the CMS 1500 claim form.

Diagnosis Codes

All claims require a diagnosis code. All diagnoses must be from the *International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification* (ICD-9-CM) coding structure. The diagnosis code must be appropriate for the service provided.

Claims received without an appropriate ICD-9-CM code are denied.

Providers should note the following diagnosis code restrictions:

- Codes with an "E" prefix must not be used as the primary or sole diagnosis on a claim submitted to Wisconsin Medicaid.
- Codes with an "M" prefix are not acceptable on a claim submitted to Wisconsin Medicaid.

Procedure Codes

To be eligible for Wisconsin Medicaid reimbursement, all claims for DMS submitted to Wisconsin Medicaid must use Health Care Procedure Coding System (HCPCS), formerly known as "HCFA Common Procedure Coding System," National Level II codes or Wisconsin Medicaid local codes that are allowable for the DOS. Disposable medical supplies claims or adjustments received without the appropriate procedure codes are denied.

Seeking Reimbursement for Items That Are Not Listed in the Disposable Medical Supplies Index

In some circumstances, the DMS Index may not list the exact procedure code for a requested supply. Providers are required to obtain prior authorization (PA) from Wisconsin Medicaid for requested supplies that are not listed in the DMS Index.

If Wisconsin Medicaid approves the PA request, the provider will receive a copy of the approved Prior Authorization Request Form (PA/RF) with the procedure code and modifier. Providers should submit claims using the *same* procedure code and the modifier given on the approved PA.

For instance, if the DMS Index does not list a four-way indwelling catheter, foley type for continuous irrigation, the provider would use the HCPCS procedure code A4346 (indwelling catheter, foley type; three-way for continuous irrigation), with the modifier "PA" given on the approved PA/RF.

The diagnosis code must be appropriate for the service provided.

Refer to the Prior Authorization chapter of this handbook for more information on obtaining PA.

"Not Otherwise Classified" Procedure Code

As described in the Prior Authorization chapter of this handbook, providers are required to use the "not otherwise classified" (NOC) procedure code (W6499) when seeking PA for items that do not have a specific or similar procedure code.

Providers should use this NOC procedure code when submitting claims to Wisconsin Medicaid after the PA is approved and the DMS are dispensed.

Place of Service and Type of Service Codes

All claims for DMS submitted to Wisconsin Medicaid are required to include type of service (TOS) "9"* and valid place of service (POS) codes. The POS codes are listed in Appendix 1 of this handbook.

*Claims for exceptional supplies should not include TOS "9." Instead, they are required to include TOS "P" for purchased items or "R" for rented items.

Exceptional Supplies for Nursing Home Recipients

Refer to Appendix 3 of this handbook for an explanation on submitting claims for exceptional supplies for nursing home recipients.

Reimbursement

Providers are reimbursed at the lesser of their billed amount and the maximum allowable fee established by the Division of Health Care Financing. Providers are reminded that they cannot seek payment from recipients for any difference between their billed amount and the maximum allowable fee.

The maximum allowable fee is the maximum amount that Wisconsin Medicaid will pay a provider for an allowable procedure code. The maximum allowable fee schedule is contained in the DMS Index. (For more information on the DMS Index, refer to "Explanation of the Disposable Medical Supplies Index" in the Covered Services chapter of this handbook.)

Reimbursement for Disposable Medical Supplies Provided to Nursing Home and Home Care Recipients

Most DMS are included in the nursing home daily rate and are not separately reimbursable when provided to nursing home recipients. In some instances, DMS are included in the home care visit rate and are not separately reimbursable when provided to home care recipients.

For example, Wisconsin Medicaid will not separately reimburse for gloves used by providers to provide care to nursing home and home care recipients because the gloves are included in both the nursing home daily rate and the home care visit rate.

All Occupational Safety and Health Administration-mandated and other infection-control supplies are also included in the nursing home daily rate and the home care visit rate. Wisconsin Medicaid will not provide separate reimbursement for these supplies when they are used by nursing home and home care staff. Home care providers are expected to include supplies only during the billable hours services are delivered. They are not expected to provide recipients with supplies for use when they are not directly delivering billable home care services.

The DMS Index indicates which items are included in the reimbursement for nursing home and home care services. Refer to "Explanation of the Disposable Medical Supplies Index" in the Covered Services chapter of this handbook for more information on how to read the DMS Index.

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Follow-Up to Claims Submission

The provider is responsible for initiating follow-up procedures on claims submitted to Wisconsin Medicaid. Processed claims appear on the Remittance and Status Report either as paid, pending, or denied. Wisconsin Medicaid will take no further action on a denied claim until the provider corrects the information and resubmits the claim so that Wisconsin Medicaid receives the claim for processing within 365 days of the date of the original service.

If a claim was paid incorrectly, the provider is responsible for submitting an Adjustment Request Form to Wisconsin Medicaid. Refer to the Claims Submission section of the All-Provider Handbook for more information on filing Adjustment Request Forms.

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Appendix 1

CMS 1500 Claim Form Completion Instructions for Disposable Medical Supplies

Use the following claim form completion instructions, **not** the claim form's printed descriptions, to avoid denial or inaccurate claim payment. Do not include attachments unless instructed to do so. Complete the elements listed below as appropriate.

Note: Medicaid providers should **always** verify recipient eligibility before delivering services.

Element 1 — Program Block/Claim Sort Indicator

Enter claim sort indicator “D” in the Medicaid check box for the service billed.

Element 1a — Insured's I.D. Number

Enter the recipient's 10-digit Medicaid identification number. Do not enter any other numbers or letters.

Element 2 — Patient's Name

Enter the recipient's last name, first name, and middle initial. Use the Eligibility Verification System (EVS) to obtain the correct spelling of the recipient's name. If the name or spelling of the name on the Medicaid identification card and the EVS do not match, use the spelling from the EVS.

Mother/Baby Claims

A provider may submit claims for an infant if the infant is 10 days old or less on the date of service (DOS) and the mother of the infant is a Medicaid recipient. To submit a claim for an infant using the mother's Medicaid identification number, enter the following:

Element 1a: Enter the mother's 10-digit Medicaid identification number.

Element 2: Enter the mother's last name followed by “newborn.”

Element 3: Enter the **infant's** date of birth.

Element 4: Enter the mother's name followed by “mom” in parentheses.

Element 21: Indicate the secondary or lesser diagnosis code “M11” in fields 2, 3, or 4.

Element 3 — Patient's Birth Date, Patient's Sex

Enter the recipient's birth date in MM/DD/YY format (e.g., June 30, 1975, would be 06/30/75) or in MM/DD/YYYY format (e.g., June 30, 1975, would be 06/30/1975). Specify if the recipient is male or female by placing an “X” in the appropriate box.

Element 4 — Insured's Name (not required)

Element 5 — Patient's Address

Enter the complete address of the recipient's place of residence, if known.

Element 6 — Patient Relationship to Insured (not required)

Element 7 — Insured's Address (not required)

Element 8 — Patient Status (not required)

Element 9 — Other Insured's Name

Third-party insurance (commercial insurance coverage) must be billed prior to billing Wisconsin Medicaid, unless the service does not require third-party billing as determined by Wisconsin Medicaid.

- When the recipient has dental (“DEN”) insurance only or has no commercial insurance, leave Element 9 blank.
- When the recipient has Wausau Health Protection Plan (“HPP”), BlueCross & BlueShield (“BLU”), Wisconsin Physicians Service (“WPS”), TriCare (“CHA”), or some other (“OTH”) commercial insurance, **and** the service requires third-party billing according to the Coordination of Benefits section of the All-Provider Handbook, then one of

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the following three other insurance (OI) explanation codes **must** be indicated in the **first** box of Element 9. The description is not required, nor is the policyholder, plan name, group number, etc. (Elements 9a, 9b, 9c, and 9d are not required.)

Code	Description
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OI-P	PAID by health insurance. In Element 29 of this claim form, indicate the amount paid by health insurance to the provider or to the insured.
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OI-D	DENIED by health insurance following submission of a correct and complete claim, or payment was applied towards the coinsurance and deductible. Do not use this code unless the claim was actually billed to the health insurer.
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OI-Y	YES, the recipient has health insurance, but it was not billed for reasons including, but not limited to:
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- ✓ Recipient denied coverage or will not cooperate.
- ✓ The provider knows the service in question is not covered by the carrier.
- ✓ Health insurance failed to respond to initial and follow-up claims.
- ✓ Benefits not assignable or cannot get assignment.

- When the recipient is a member of a commercial HMO, one of the following must be indicated, **if applicable**:

Code	Description
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OI-P	PAID by HMO. The amount paid is indicated on the claim.
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OI-H	HMO does not cover this service or the billed amount does not exceed the coinsurance or deductible amount.
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Important Note: The provider may not use OI-H if the HMO denied payment because an otherwise covered service was not rendered by a designated provider. Services covered by an HMO are not reimbursable by Wisconsin Medicaid except for the copayment and deductible amounts. Providers who receive a capitation payment from the HMO may not bill Wisconsin Medicaid for services which are included in the capitation payment.

Element 10 — Is Patient's Condition Related to (not required)

Element 11 — Insured's Policy, Group, or FECA Number

Use the **first** box of this element for Medicare information. (Elements 11a, 11b, 11c, and 11d are not required.) Bill Medicare before billing Wisconsin Medicaid.

Element 11 should be left blank when one or more of the following statements is true:

- Medicare never covers the procedure in any circumstance.
- The recipient's Wisconsin Medicaid file shows he or she does not have any Medicare coverage for the service provided. For example, the service is covered by Medicare Part A, but the recipient does not have Medicare Part A. Services related to a diagnosis of chronic renal failure are the only exceptions.
- The **nonphysician** provider's Wisconsin Medicaid file shows he or she is not Medicare certified. (This does not apply to physicians because Medicare will retroactively certify physicians for the date and the service provided if they held a valid license when the service was performed.)
- Medicare has allowed the charges. In this case, attach the Explanation of Medicare Benefits, but do not indicate on the claim form the amount Medicare paid.

If none of the previous statements are true, a Medicare disclaimer code is necessary.

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The following Medicare disclaimer codes can be used when appropriate:

Code	Description
M-1	<p>Medicare benefits exhausted. This code can be used when Medicare has denied the charges because the recipient's lifetime benefit, spell of illness, or yearly allotment of available benefits is exhausted. Use the M-1 disclaimer in these two instances only:</p> <p><i>For Medicare Part A</i> (all three criteria must be met):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The provider is identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as certified for Medicare Part A.• The recipient is eligible for Medicare Part A.• The service provided is covered by Medicare Part A but is not payable due to benefits being exhausted. <p><i>For Medicare Part B</i> (all three criteria must be met):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The provider is identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as certified for Medicare Part B.• The recipient is eligible for Medicare Part B.• The service provided is covered by Medicare Part B but is not payable due to benefits being exhausted.
M-5	<p>Provider is not Medicare certified. This code can be used when providers are identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as being Medicare certified, but are billing for DOS before or after their Medicare certification effective dates. Use M-5 in these two instances only:</p> <p><i>For Medicare Part A</i> (all three criteria must be met):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The provider is identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as certified for Medicare Part A but not for the date the service was provided.• The recipient is eligible for Medicare Part A.• The procedure provided is covered by Medicare Part A. <p><i>For Medicare Part B</i> (all three criteria must be met):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The provider is identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as certified for Medicare Part B but not for the date the service was provided.• The recipient is eligible for Medicare Part B.• The procedure provided is covered by Medicare Part B. <p><i>Note:</i> The following providers are required to be certified by Medicare if they intend to provide a Medicare-covered service to a dual entitlee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Home care agencies.• Medical equipment vendors.• Pharmacies.• Physicians.

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- M-6 Recipient not Medicare eligible.** This code can be used when Medicare denies payment for services related to **chronic renal failure** (diagnosis code “585”) because the recipient is not eligible for Medicare. Medicare must be billed first, even when the recipient is identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as not eligible for Medicare. Use the M-6 disclaimer code in these two instances only:

For Medicare Part A (all three criteria must be met):

- The provider is identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as certified for Medicare Part A.
- Medicare denies the recipient eligibility.
- The service is related to chronic renal failure.

For Medicare Part B (all three criteria must be met):

- The provider is identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as certified for Medicare Part B.
- Medicare denies the recipient eligibility.
- The service is related to chronic renal failure.

- M-7 Medicare disallowed or denied payment.** This code applies when Medicare denies the claim for reasons related to policy, not billing errors. Use M-7 in these two instances only:

For Medicare Part A (all three criteria must be met):

- The provider is identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as certified for Medicare Part A.
- The recipient is eligible for Medicare Part A.
- The service is covered by Medicare Part A but is denied by Medicare Part A due to frequency limitations, diagnosis restrictions, etc.

For Medicare Part B (all three criteria must be met):

- The provider is identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as certified for Medicare Part B.
- The recipient is eligible for Medicare Part B.
- The service is covered by Medicare Part B but is denied by Medicare Part B due to frequency limitations, diagnosis restrictions, etc.

- M-8 Noncovered Medicare service.** This code can be used when Medicare was not billed because the service, under certain circumstances related to the recipient’s diagnosis, is not covered. Use M-8 in these two instances only:

For Medicare Part A (all three criteria must be met):

- The provider is identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as certified for Medicare Part A.
- The recipient is eligible for Medicare Part A.
- The service is usually covered by Medicare Part A but not under certain circumstances related to the recipient’s diagnosis.

For Medicare Part B (all three criteria must be met):

- The provider is identified in Wisconsin Medicaid files as certified for Medicare Part B.
- The recipient is eligible for Medicare Part B.
- The service is usually covered by Medicare Part B but not under certain circumstances related to the recipient’s diagnosis.

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Elements 12 and 13 — Authorized Person's Signature (not required)

Element 14 — Date of Current Illness, Injury, or Pregnancy (not required)

Element 15 — If Patient Has Had Same or Similar Illness (not required)

Element 16 — Dates Patient Unable to Work in Current Occupation (not required)

Elements 17 and 17a — Name and I.D. Number of Referring Physician or Other Source

Enter the referring or prescribing physician's name and his or her six-character Universal Provider Identification Number (UPIN). If the UPIN is not available, enter the Medicaid provider number or license number of the referring provider. (This is not required on claims for hearing aid batteries.)

Element 18 — Hospitalization Dates Related to Current Services (not required)

Element 19 — Reserved for Local Use (not required)

Element 20 — Outside Lab? (not required)

Element 21 — Diagnosis or Nature of Illness or Injury

Enter the *International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification* (ICD-9-CM) diagnosis code for each symptom or condition related to the services provided. List the primary diagnosis first. Etiology ("E") and manifestation ("M") codes may not be used as a primary diagnosis. The diagnosis description is not required.

Wisconsin Medicaid denies claims without the appropriate ICD-9-CM diagnosis code. One source to order the complete ICD-9-CM code book is:

St Anthony Publishing Inc
PO Box 96561
Washington DC 20090
(800) 632-0123

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Element 22 — Medicaid Resubmission (not required)

Element 23 — Prior Authorization Number

Enter the seven-digit prior authorization (PA) number from the approved PA request. Services authorized under multiple PAs must be billed on separate claim forms with their respective PA numbers.

Element 24A — Date(s) of Service

Enter the month, day, and year for each procedure using the following guidelines:

- When billing for one DOS, enter the date in MM/DD/YY or MM/DD/YYYY format in the "From" field.
- When billing for two, three, or four DOS on the same detail line, enter the first DOS in MM/DD/YY or MM/DD/YYYY format in the "From" field, and subsequent DOS in the "To" field by listing **only** the date(s) of the month (i.e., DD, DD/DD, or DD/DD/DD).

It is allowable to enter up to four DOS per line if:

- All DOS are in the same calendar month.
- All services are billed using the same procedure code and modifier, if applicable.

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- All procedures have the same type of service (TOS) code.
- All procedures have the same place of service (POS) code.
- All procedures were performed by the same provider.
- The same diagnosis is applicable for each procedure.
- The charge for all procedures is identical. (Enter the total charge *per detail line* in Element 24F.)
- The number of services performed on each DOS is identical.
- All procedures have the same HealthCheck or family planning indicator.
- All procedures have the same emergency indicator.

Element 24B — Place of Service

Enter the appropriate Medicaid single-digit POS code for each service.

Code	Description
0	Other
3	Office
4	Home
7	Nursing Facility
8	Skilled Nursing Facility

Element 24C — Type of Service

Enter a “9” for the TOS code for each service *except* for exceptional supplies. When submitting a claim for exceptional supplies, enter a “P” for purchased items or an “R” for rented items.

Element 24D — Procedures, Services, or Supplies

Enter the single most appropriate five-character procedure code as listed in the Disposable Medical Supplies (DMS) Index. Claims received without an appropriate procedure code are denied by Wisconsin Medicaid. All DMS procedure codes must include the correct DMS modifier. Refer to the DMS Index for a list of Wisconsin Medicaid-allowable procedure codes.

Modifiers

Enter the appropriate two-character modifier in the “Modifier” column of Element 24D as indicated in the DMS Index. Please note that Wisconsin Medicaid has *not* adopted all *Current Procedural Terminology*, Health Care Procedure Coding System, formerly known as “HCFA Common Procedure Coding System,” or Medicare modifiers.

Element 24E — Diagnosis Code

Enter the number (1, 2, 3, or 4) that corresponds to the appropriate diagnosis code listed in Element 21.

Element 24F — Charges

Enter the total charge for each line item.

Element 24G — Days or Units

Enter the appropriate number of units, time units, qualifying circumstance units, or other services billed for each line item. Always use a decimal (e.g., 2.0 units).

Appendix 1 (Continued)

Element 24H — EPSDT/Family Planning

Enter an “H” for each procedure that was performed as a result of a HealthCheck referral. Enter an “F” for each family planning procedure. Enter a “B” if *both* HealthCheck and family planning services were provided. If HealthCheck or family planning do not apply, leave this element blank.

Element 24I — EMG

Enter an “E” for *each* procedure performed as an emergency, regardless of the POS. If the procedure is not an emergency, leave this element blank.

Element 24J — COB (not required)

Element 24K — Reserved for Local Use

Enter the eight-digit, Medicaid provider number of the performing provider *for each procedure*, if the billing provider indicated in Element 33 belongs to a physician clinic or group.

Any other information entered in this element may cause claim denial.

Element 25 — Federal Tax I.D. Number (not required)

Element 26 — Patient’s Account No.

Optional — provider may enter up to 12 characters of the patient’s internal office account number. This number will appear on the Remittance and Status Report.

Element 27 — Accept Assignment (not required)

Element 28 — Total Charge

Enter the total charges for this claim.

Element 29 — Amount Paid

Enter the amount paid by other insurance. If the other insurance denied the claim, enter \$0.00. (If a dollar amount is indicated in Element 29, “OI-P” must be indicated in Element 9.) Do *not* enter Medicare-paid amounts in this field.

Element 30 — Balance Due

Enter the balance due as determined by subtracting the amount paid in Element 29 from the amount in Element 28.

Element 31 — Signature of Physician or Supplier

The provider or the authorized representative must sign in Element 31. The month, day, and year the form is signed must also be entered in MM/DD/YY or MM/DD/YYYY format.

Note: The signature may be a computer-printed or typed name and date, or a signature stamp with the date.

Element 32 — Name and Address of Facility Where Services Were Rendered (not required)

Element 33 — Physician’s, Supplier’s Billing Name, Address, ZIP Code, and Phone

Enter the provider’s name (exactly as indicated on the provider’s notification of certification letter) and address of the billing provider. At the bottom of Element 33, enter the billing provider’s eight-digit Medicaid provider number.

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Appendix 3

Description of Exceptional Supplies

General Information

Most disposable medical supplies (DMS) and durable medical equipment (DME) are included in the daily rate for nursing homes and are not separately reimbursable. However, providers may receive reimbursement for certain DMS and DME provided to nursing home recipients whose medical conditions make them eligible for exceptional supplies. The exceptional supply procedure code allows Wisconsin Medicaid to separately reimburse certain supplies and equipment that are usually included in the nursing home daily rate. Recipients who have exceptional supply needs may either:

- Be ventilator dependent.
- Have a tracheostomy that requires extensive care at least twice in an eight-hour period of time.

Covered items are limited to those supplies and equipment necessary to treat the above conditions. Wisconsin Medicaid will not cover unnecessary, unreasonable, or inappropriate items as determined by Wisconsin Medicaid nurse consultants. Providers are required to document the need for exceptional supplies in the physician's orders, progress notes, and treatment sheets.

Prior Authorization

For Wisconsin Medicaid to consider reimbursement, providers are required to obtain prior authorization (PA) before dispensing exceptional supplies.

Submit requests for PA on the Prior Authorization Request Form (PA/RF) and the Prior Authorization Durable Medical Equipment Attachment (PA/DMEA). Providers are required to use the procedure code "W6890" on the PA/RF. Exceptional supplies for nursing home recipients cannot be reimbursed under other procedure codes. Providers should use the procedure code for both purchased and rented exceptional supplies. Therefore, group all needed supplies under the specified procedure code.

Use type of service (TOS) "P" for purchased items or "R" for rented items in Element 17 of the PA/RF.

Providers are also required to submit the following with the PA/RF:

- Documentation indicating that the recipient is ventilator dependent or has a tracheostomy that requires exceptional supplies.
- A physician's prescription detailing the equipment and/or quantity of needed supplies. Wisconsin Medicaid will not consider a PRN (from the Latin term *pro re nata*, meaning "as needed") prescription as a substitute for a physician prescription.
- Treatment sheets or a medical checklist documenting the actual use and frequency of use of the supplies and equipment.
- A record of the exact quantity of supplies used in the time period preceding the PA request.

Providers are required to include the "per unit" charge for each supply item, the frequency of use, and the estimated monthly quantity needed by the recipient. The total estimated monthly charge for all supplies must be indicated in Element 21 of the PA/RF.

If using attachments, please write the PA number on each page, in case they are separated from the PA/RF during processing.

Billing and Reimbursement

Providers should bill for prior authorized exceptional supplies on the CMS 1500 claim form.

If exceptional supplies are used on a daily basis, providers may bill using the beginning date of service (DOS) in the “From” column and the last DOS for each month in the “To” column in Element 24A. The quantity billed must equal the number of days within the range approved on the PA/RF. Use TOS “P” for purchased items and “R” for rented items in Element 24C.

Wisconsin Medicaid authorizes reimbursement for exceptional supplies at an average daily maximum dollar amount, based on the average daily use. The average daily maximum dollar amount is figured by multiplying the frequency of use per 30-day period by the reimbursement rate for each item, adding all of the sums, and dividing by 30. Wisconsin Medicaid will not reimburse for exceptional supplies at any rate higher than the average daily maximum dollar amount.

If a recipient’s need for exceptional supplies declines, resulting in the usage of fewer supplies, the average maximum amount charged to Wisconsin Medicaid should decrease accordingly.

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Appendix 4

Key to Reading the Disposable Medical Supplies Index

The Disposable Medical Supplies (DMS) Index lists the items covered by Wisconsin Medicaid, the maximum allowable fee for each item, and the limitations applicable to each code. The DMS Index key on the reverse side of this page provides helpful information for reading the DMS Index.

Providers may access an interactive, online version of the DMS Index on Wisconsin Medicaid's Web site at www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid/.

Providers may also:

- Download an electronic version from Wisconsin Medicaid's Web site at www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid/.
- Purchase additional copies of the DMS Index by calling Provider Services at (800) 947-9627 or (608) 221-9883, or by writing to:

Wisconsin Medicaid
Provider Maintenance
6406 Bridge Rd
Madison WI 53784-0006

Contact Provider Services for the cost of the maximum allowable fee schedule.

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KEY TO READING THE DISPOSABLE MEDICAL SUPPLIES INDEX MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE FEE SCHEDULE

CODE:	Five-digit alphanumeric Health Care Procedure Coding System (HCPCS), formerly known as “HCFA Common Procedure Coding System,” National Level II codes developed by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), formerly HCFA, or Wisconsin Medicaid-assigned local procedure codes that identify the Disposable Medical Supplies (DMS).
MODIFIER:	Modifiers used by Wisconsin Medicaid to indicate additional entries of procedure codes associated to the HCPCS and Wisconsin Medicaid-assigned base codes. Y — Indicates modifiers specified must always be used when billing for the procedure code. N — Indicates modifiers are not required when billing for the procedure code but, if listed, may be used if the modifier indicates a more accurate definition of the supply.
IN NH RATE:	YES — Indicates that the item is included in the nursing home daily rate and is not separately reimbursable for Wisconsin Medicaid nursing home residents. NO — Indicates this item is not included in the nursing home daily rate and is separately reimbursable for Wisconsin Medicaid nursing home recipients.
IN HC RATE:	YES — Indicates that the item is included in the home care rate and is not separately reimbursable for Wisconsin Medicaid home care recipients. Home care services include covered services provided by home health agencies, personal care agencies, and nurses in independent practice. NO — Indicates this item is not included in the home care rate and is separately reimbursable for Wisconsin Medicaid home care recipients.
DESCRIPTION:	Base HCPCS or Wisconsin Medicaid-assigned local procedure code. The description that appears in the first row of each procedure code is the description that will appear on Remittance and Status (R/S) Reports, regardless of the modifier used. Providers will need to use the DMS Index/Maximum Allowable Fee Schedule with the R/S Report to verify Wisconsin Medicaid’s maximum allowable fee payments. Descriptions may also indicate quantities of each, package, and per box, which is considered one unit. For example, a box may contain multiple items. If “per box of 100” is indicated, the quantity or unit is equal to one (1).
MAX FEE:	Maximum allowable fee for each procedure code and modifier.
MAX QTY/MO:	Quantity allowed per recipient per calendar month (January, February, March, etc.) unless a different time period is indicated.
CHANGE:	Current DMS Index revisions. C — Indicates changes. N — Indicates new information.

Appendix 5

Prior Authorization Request Form (PA/RF) Instructions for Disposable Medical Supplies

Element 1 — Processing Type

Enter the appropriate three-digit processing type from the list below. The “processing type” is a three-digit code used to identify a category of service requested.

132 — Disposable medical supplies (DMS)

139 — Exceptional supplies

Element 2 — Recipient’s Medicaid Identification Number

Enter the recipient’s 10-digit Medicaid identification number. Do not enter any other numbers or letters.

Element 3 — Recipient’s Name

Enter the recipient’s last name, first name, and middle initial. Use the Eligibility Verification System (EVS) to obtain the correct spelling of the recipient’s name. If the name or spelling of the name on the Medicaid identification card and the EVS do not match, use the spelling from the EVS.

Element 4 — Recipient’s Address

Enter the complete address (street, city, state, and ZIP code) of the recipient’s place of residence. If the recipient is a resident of a nursing home or other facility, also include the name of the nursing home or facility.

Element 5 — Recipient’s Date of Birth

Enter the recipient’s date of birth in MM/DD/YYYY format (e.g., June 30, 1975, would be 06/30/1975).

Element 6 — Recipient’s Sex

Enter an “X” to specify male or female.

Element 7 — Billing Provider’s Name, Address, and ZIP Code

Enter the billing provider’s name and complete address (street, city, state, and ZIP code). *No other information should be entered in this element since it also serves as a return mailing label.*

Element 8 — Billing Provider’s Telephone Number

Enter the billing provider’s telephone number, including the area code of the office, clinic, facility, or place of business.

Element 9 — Billing Provider’s Medicaid Number

Enter the provider’s eight-digit Medicaid provider number.

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Element 10 — Dx: Primary

Enter the appropriate *International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification* (ICD-9-CM) diagnosis code and description most relevant to the service/procedure requested for the recipient.

Note: Medical vendors and individual medical suppliers need only provide a written description.

Element 11 — Dx: Secondary

Enter the appropriate ICD-9-CM diagnosis code and description additionally descriptive of the recipient's clinical condition.

Note: Medical vendors and individual medical suppliers need only provide a written description.

Element 12 — Start Date of Spell of Illness (not required)

Element 13 — First Date Rx (not required)

Element 14 — Procedure Code(s)

Enter the appropriate Wisconsin Medicaid-assigned five-digit procedure code for each service/procedure/item requested.

Element 15 — MOD

Enter the modifier corresponding to the procedure code (if a modifier is required by Wisconsin Medicaid policy and the coding structure used) for each service/procedure/item requested.

Element 16 — POS

Enter the appropriate Medicaid single-digit place of service code designating where the requested service/procedure/item would be provided/performed/dispensed.

Code	Description
0	Other
3	Office
4	Home
7	Nursing Facility
8	Skilled Nursing Facility

Element 17 — TOS

Enter the appropriate type of service code for each service/procedure/item requested.

Code	Description
9	Disposable Medical Supplies (DMS) — Health Care Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes, formerly known as “HCFA Common Procedure Coding System”
P	Purchase New Durable Medical Equipment (DME) (for exceptional supplies only)
R	DME Rental (for exceptional supplies only)

Appendix 5 (Continued)

Element 18 — Description of Service

Enter a written description corresponding to the appropriate five-digit procedure code for each service/procedure/item requested.

Element 19 — Quantity of Service Requested

Enter the quantity requested for each service/procedure/item requested.

Element 20 — Charges

Enter your usual and customary charge for each service/procedure/item requested. If the quantity is greater than “1,” multiply the quantity by the charge for each service/procedure/item requested. Enter that total amount in this element.

Note: The charges indicated on the request form should reflect the provider’s usual and customary charge for the procedure requested. Providers are reimbursed for authorized services according to the Department of Health and Family Service’s *Terms of Reimbursement*.

Element 21 — Total Charge

Enter the anticipated total charge for this request.

Element 22 — Billing Claim Payment Clarification Statement

An approved authorization does not guarantee payment. Reimbursement is contingent upon the recipient’s and provider’s eligibility at the time the service is provided and the completeness of the claim information. Payment is not made for services initiated prior to approval or after authorization expiration. Reimbursement is in accordance with Medicaid payment methodology and policy. If the recipient is enrolled in a managed care program at the time a prior authorized service is provided, Wisconsin Medicaid reimbursement is only allowed if the service is not covered by the managed care program.

Element 23 — Date

Enter the month, day, and year (in MM/DD/YYYY format) the Prior Authorization Request Form (PA/RF) was completed and signed.

Element 24 — Requesting Provider’s Signature

The signature of the provider requesting/performing/dispensing the service/procedure/item must appear in this element. Providers are required to enter the requested start and end dates after the requesting provider’s signature.

DO NOT ENTER ANY INFORMATION BELOW THE SIGNATURE OF THE REQUESTING PROVIDER — THIS SPACE IS USED BY THE WISCONSIN MEDICAID CONSULTANT(S) AND ANALYST(S).

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Appendix 6

Completed Sample Prior Authorization Request Form (PA/RF)

MAIL TO:

E.D.S. FEDERAL CORPORATION
PRIOR AUTHORIZATION UNIT
6406 BRIDGE ROAD
SUITE 88
MADISON, WI 53784-0088

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FORM

PA/RF

(DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE)

ICN #
A.T. #
P.A. # **1223334**

1 PROCESSING TYPE

132

2 RECIPIENT'S MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ID NUMBER

1234567890

3 RECIPIENT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)

Recipient, Ima A.

5 DATE OF BIRTH

MM/DD/YYYY

6 SEX

M ☐

F ☒

4 RECIPIENT ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE)

**609 Willow
Anytown, WI 55555**

8 BILLING PROVIDER TELEPHONE NUMBER

(XXX) XXX-XXXX

7 BILLING PROVIDER NAME, ADDRESS, ZIP CODE:

**I.M. Provider
1 W. Williams
Anytown, WI 55555**

9 BILLING PROVIDER NO.

12345678

10 DX: PRIMARY

250.01 Diabetes

11 DX: SECONDARY

595.9 Cystitis

12 START DATE OF SOI:

13 FIRST DATE RX:

14 PROCEDURE CODE	15 MOD	16 POS	17 TOS	18 DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	19 QR	20 CHARGES
A4253		4	9	Blood glucose test strips	3	XXX.XX
A4259		4	9	Lancets	2	XXX.XX

22. An approved authorization does not guarantee payment.

Reimbursement is contingent upon eligibility of the

recipient and provider at the time the service is provided and the completeness of the claim information. Payment will not be made for services initiated prior to approval or after authorization expiration date. Reimbursement will be in accordance with Wisconsin Medical Assistance Program payment methodology and Policy. If the recipient is enrolled in a Medical Assistance HMO at the time a prior authorized service is provided, WMAP reimbursement will be allowed only if the service is not covered by the HMO.

TOTAL
CHARGE

21 **XXX.XX**

23 **MM/DD/YYYY**
DATE

24 **I.M. Provider**
REQUESTING PROVIDER SIGNATURE

**start date: 01-01-01
end date: 03-31-01**

(DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE)

AUTHORIZATION:

☐
APPROVED

GRANT DATE

EXPIRATION DATE

PROCEDURE(S) AUTHORIZED

QUANTITY AUTHORIZED

☐
MODIFIED

REASON:

☐
DENIED

REASON:

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RETURN

REASON:

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Appendix 7

Completed Sample Prior Authorization Request Form (PA/RF), Prior Approval Granted

MAIL TO:

E.D.S. FEDERAL CORPORATION
PRIOR AUTHORIZATION UNIT
6406 BRIDGE ROAD
SUITE 88
MADISON, WI 53784-0088

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FORM

PA/RF (DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE)

ICN #
A.T. #
P.A. # **1223334**

1 PROCESSING TYPE

132

2 RECIPIENT'S MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ID NUMBER

1234567890

3 RECIPIENT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)

Recipient, Ima A.

5 DATE OF BIRTH

MM/DD/YYYY

6 SEX

M ☐

F ☒

4 RECIPIENT ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE)

**609 Willow
Anytown, WI 55555**

8 BILLING PROVIDER TELEPHONE NUMBER

(XXX) XXX-XXXX

7 BILLING PROVIDER NAME, ADDRESS, ZIP CODE:

**I.M. Provider
1 W. Williams
Anytown, WI 55555**

9 BILLING PROVIDER NO.

12345678

10 DX: PRIMARY

250.01 Diabetes

11 DX: SECONDARY

595.9 Cystitis

12 START DATE OF SOI:

13 FIRST DATE RX:

14 PROCEDURE CODE	15 MOD	16 POS	17 TOS	18 DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	19 QR	20 CHARGES
A4253		4	9	Blood glucose test strips	3	XXX.XX
A4259		4	9	Lancets	2	XXX.XX

22. An approved authorization does not guarantee payment.

Reimbursement is contingent upon eligibility of the recipient and provider at the time the service is provided and the completeness of the claim information. Payment will not be made for services initiated prior to approval or after authorization expiration date. Reimbursement will be in accordance with Wisconsin Medical Assistance Program payment methodology and Policy. If the recipient is enrolled in a Medical Assistance HMO at the time a prior authorized service is provided, WMAP reimbursement will be allowed only if the service is not covered by the HMO.

TOTAL
CHARGE

21 **XXX.XX**

23 **MM/DD/YYYY**
DATE

24 **I.M. Provider**
REQUESTING PROVIDER SIGNATURE

start date: **01-01-01**
end date: **03-31-01**

(DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE)

AUTHORIZATION:

☒
APPROVED

☐
MODIFIED

☐
DENIED

☐
RETURN

REASON:

REASON:

REASON:

01-01-01

GRANT DATE

03-31-01

EXPIRATION DATE

PROCEDURE(S) AUTHORIZED

**A4253
A4259**

QUANTITY AUTHORIZED

**9
5**

12/27/00

DATE

J.M. Davis Consultant

CONSULTANT/ANALYST SIGNATURE

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Appendix 8

Completed Sample Prior Authorization Request Form (PA/RF) for Exceptional Supplies

MAIL TO:

E.D.S. FEDERAL CORPORATION
PRIOR AUTHORIZATION UNIT
6406 BRIDGE ROAD
SUITE 88
MADISON, WI 53784-0088

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FORM

PA/RF (DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE)

ICN #
A.T. #
P.A. # 1223334

1 PROCESSING TYPE

139

2 RECIPIENT'S MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ID NUMBER 1234567890		4 RECIPIENT ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE) 609 Willow Anytown, WI 55555	
3 RECIPIENT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL) Recipient, Ima A.		8 BILLING PROVIDER TELEPHONE NUMBER (XXX) XXX-XXXX	
5 DATE OF BIRTH MM/DD/YYYY	6 SEX M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9 BILLING PROVIDER NO. 12345678	
7 BILLING PROVIDER NAME, ADDRESS, ZIP CODE: I.M. Provider 1 W. Williams Anytown, WI 55555		10 DX: PRIMARY 518.81 Resp. Failure	
		11 DX: SECONDARY V55.0 Tracheostomy	
		12 START DATE OF SOI:	13 FIRST DATE RX:

14	15	16	17	18	19	20
PROCEDURE CODE	MOD	POS	TOS	DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	QR	CHARGES
W6890		8	P	Trach care kit BID	60	XXX.XX
W6890		8	P	Trach suction catheter/every shift	90	XXX.XX
W6890		8	P	Trach tie/secure every 3 days	10	XXX.XX
W6890		8	R	Compressor	30	XXX.XX

22. An approved authorization does not guarantee payment.

Reimbursement is contingent upon eligibility of the recipient and provider at the time the service is provided and the completeness of the claim information. Payment will not be made for services initiated prior to approval or after authorization expiration date. Reimbursement will be in accordance with Wisconsin Medical Assistance Program payment methodology and Policy. If the recipient is enrolled in a Medical Assistance HMO at the time a prior authorized service is provided, WMAP reimbursement will be allowed only if the service is not covered by the HMO.

TOTAL CHARGE 21 **XXX.XX**

23 **MM/DD/YYYY** 24 **I.M. Provider** start date: **01-01-01**
DATE REQUESTING PROVIDER SIGNATURE end date: **06-30-01**

AUTHORIZATION:

☐
APPROVED

☐
MODIFIED

☐
DENIED

☐
RETURN

REASON:

REASON:

REASON:

GRANT DATE

EXPIRATION DATE

PROCEDURE(S) AUTHORIZED

QUANTITY AUTHORIZED

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Completed Sample Prior Authorization Request Form (PA/RF) for Exceptional Supplies, Prior Approval Granted

MAIL TO:

E.D.S. FEDERAL CORPORATION
PRIOR AUTHORIZATION UNIT
6406 BRIDGE ROAD
SUITE 88
MADISON, WI 53784-0088

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FORM

PA/RF

(DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE)

ICN #

A.T. #

P.A. # 1223334

1 PROCESSING TYPE

139

2 RECIPIENT'S MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ID NUMBER

1234567890

3 RECIPIENT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)

Recipient, Ima A.

5 DATE OF BIRTH

MM/DD/YYYY

6 SEX

M ☐

F ☒

4 RECIPIENT ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE)

609 Willow
Anytown, WI 55555

8 BILLING PROVIDER TELEPHONE NUMBER

(XXX) XXX-XXXX

7 BILLING PROVIDER NAME, ADDRESS, ZIP CODE:

I.M. Provider
1 W. Williams
Anytown, WI 55555

9 BILLING PROVIDER NO.

12345678

10 DX: PRIMARY

518.81 Resp. Failure

11 DX: SECONDARY

V55.0 Tracheostomy

12 START DATE OF SOI:

13 FIRST DATE RX:

14 PROCEDURE CODE	15 MOD	16 POS	17 TOS	18 DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	19 QR	20 CHARGES
W6890		8	P	Trach care kit BID	60	XXX.XX
W6890		8	P	Trach suction catheter/every shift	90	XXX.XX
W6890		8	P	Trach tie/secure every 3 days	10	XXX.XX
W6890		8	R	Compressor	30	XXX.XX

22. An approved authorization does not guarantee payment.

Reimbursement is contingent upon eligibility of the

recipient and provider at the time the service is provided and the completeness of the claim information. Payment will not be made for services initiated prior to approval or after authorization expiration date. Reimbursement will be in accordance with Wisconsin Medical Assistance Program payment methodology and Policy. If the recipient is enrolled in a Medical Assistance HMO at the time a prior authorized service is provided, WMAP reimbursement will be allowed only if the service is not covered by the HMO.

TOTAL
CHARGE

21
XXX.XX

23 MM/DD/YYYY
DATE

24 I.M. Provider
REQUESTING PROVIDER SIGNATURE

start date: 01-01-01

end date: 06-30-01

(DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE)

AUTHORIZATION:



APPROVED

01-01-01

GRANT DATE

06-30-01

EXPIRATION DATE

PROCEDURE(S) AUTHORIZED

QUANTITY AUTHORIZED

W6890 (P)

Average daily max \$XX.XX 181 days

W6890 (R)

Average daily max \$XX.XX 181 days

☐
MODIFIED

REASON:

☐
DENIED

REASON:

☐
RETURN

REASON:

12/27/00

DATE

J.M. Davis Consultant

CONSULTANT/ANALYST SIGNATURE

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Appendix 10

Prior Authorization Durable Medical Equipment Attachment (PA/DMEA) Completion Instructions

The timely determination of authorization is significantly enhanced by the completeness and quality of the documentation submitted by providers when requesting prior authorization (PA). Carefully complete this attachment form, attach it to the Prior Authorization Request Form (PA/RF) and submit it to the following address:

Wisconsin Medicaid
Prior Authorization
Ste 88
6406 Bridge Rd
Madison WI 53784-0088

Recipient Information:

Element 1 — Last Name

Enter the recipient's last name. Use the Eligibility Verification System (EVS) to obtain the correct spelling of the recipient's name. If the name or spelling of the name on the Medicaid identification card and the EVS do not match, use the spelling from the EVS.

Element 2 — First Name

Enter the recipient's first name. Use the EVS to obtain the correct spelling of the recipient's name. If the name or spelling of the name on the Medicaid identification card and the EVS do not match, use the spelling from the EVS.

Element 3 — Middle Initial

Enter the recipient's middle initial. Use the EVS to obtain the correct initial of the recipient's name. If the initial on the Medicaid identification card and the EVS do not match, use the initial from the EVS.

Element 4 — Medical Assistance ID Number

Enter the recipient's ten-digit Medicaid number. Do not enter any other numbers or letters.

Element 5 — Age

Enter the age of the recipient in numerical form (i.e., 45, 60, 21).

Provider Information:

Element 6 — Prescribing Physician's Name

Enter the name of the prescribing physician in this element.

Element 7 — Prescribing Physician's Medical Assistance Provider Number

Enter the eight-digit Medicaid provider number of the physician prescribing the item(s) of disposable medical supplies (DMS).

Element 8 — Dispensing Provider's Telephone Number

Enter the telephone number, including area code, of the provider *dispensing* the requested DMS.

The remaining portions of this attachment are to be used to document the justification for the requested DMS item(s).

- Complete Elements A through H and J for all requested DMS items. Documentation of current medical necessity, individualized for each recipient, must be demonstrated.
- Attach a photocopy of the physician's prescription to this attachment. The prescription must be signed and dated within six months of receipt by Wisconsin Medicaid.
- Read the PA Statement before dating and signing the attachment.
- The attachment must be dated and signed by the provider requesting/dispensing the supplies.

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Appendix 11

Sample Completed Prior Authorization Durable Medical Equipment Attachment (PA/DMEA)

Mail To:

Wisconsin Medicaid
Prior Authorization Unit
Suite 88
6406 Bridge Rd.
Madison, WI 53784-0088

PA/DMEA

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT ATTACHMENT

1. Complete this form.
2. Attach to PA/RF.
(Prior Authorization/Request Form)
3. Mail to Wisconsin Medicaid.

RECIPIENT INFORMATION

①	②	③	④	⑤
Recipient	Im	A	1234567890	35
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ID NUMBER	AGE

PROVIDER INFORMATION

⑥	⑦	⑧
I.M. Prescribing	12345678	(XXX) XXX-XXXX
PRESCRIBING PHYSICIAN'S NAME	PRESCRIBING PHYSICIAN'S MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDER NUMBER	DISPENSING PROVIDER'S TELEPHONE NUMBER

A. Describe the overall physical status of the recipient: (mobility, self-care, strength, coordination)

Is independent in mobility and self cares. Shows adequate and normal strength and coordination.

B. Describe the medical condition of the recipient as it relates to the equipment/item requested — Why does the recipient need this equipment?

Has Type 1 diabetes, was recently in good control with BID testing of blood sugars. Recent bladder infection, currently on antibiotics. Physician ordered additional testing. Increased to 5x's per day.

C. Is the recipient able to operate the equipment/item requested — ☒ Yes ☐ No — if not, who will do this?

Independent

D. Is training provided or required? ☐ Yes ☒ No Explain: **Recipient previously instructed on proper glucometer use. Demonstrates good technique.**

E. State where equipment/item will be used:

☒ Home (Describe type of dwelling and accessibility)

Ranch type, NO accessibility problems.

☐ Nursing Home

☐ School

☐ Office

☐ Job

(Describe type of dwelling and accessibility)

F. Attach an Occupational or Physical Therapy Report if available.

Not applicable.

G. State estimated duration of need:

2-3 months. Once infection resolved will decrease to BID testing.

H. If renewal or continuation of DME Authorization is requested, describe the recipient's

- Current clinical condition
- Progress (improvement; no change, etc.)
- Results
- Recipient's use of equipment/item prescribed

Initial PA request, not applicable.

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I. Indicate amount of oxygen to be administered: **Not applicable.**

____ Liters per minute

____ Continuous

____ Hours per day

____ PRN

____ Days per week

____ PaO₂

Attach a photocopy of the Physician's Prescription to this Attachment form. The prescription must be signed and dated within 6 months of receipt by Wisconsin Medicaid.

THE PROVISION OF SERVICES WHICH ARE GREATER THAN OR SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT FROM THOSE AUTHORIZED MAY RESULT IN NON-PAYMENT OF THE BILLING CLAIM(S).

J. MM/DD/YYYY

Date

J.M. Provider

Requesting Provider's Signature

Appendix 12
Prior Authorization Durable Medical Equipment Attachment (PA/DMEA)
(for photocopying)

(A copy of the Prior Authorization Durable Medical Equipment Attachment (PA/DMEA) is located on the following pages.)

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Mail To:

Wisconsin Medicaid
Prior Authorization Unit
Suite 88
6406 Bridge Rd.
Madison, WI 53784-0088

PA/DMEA

**PRIOR AUTHORIZATION
DURABLE MEDICAL
EQUIPMENT ATTACHMENT**

1. Complete this form.
2. Attach to PA/RF.
(Prior Authorization/Request Form)
3. Mail to Wisconsin Medicaid.

RECIPIENT INFORMATION

①	②	③	④	⑤
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ID NUMBER	AGE

PROVIDER INFORMATION

⑥	⑦	⑧
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
PRESCRIBING PHYSICIAN'S NAME	PRESCRIBING PHYSICIAN'S MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDER NUMBER	DISPENSING PROVIDER'S TELEPHONE NUMBER

A. Describe the overall physical status of the recipient: (mobility, self-care, strength, coordination)

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B. Describe the medical condition of the recipient as it relates to the equipment/item requested — Why does the recipient need this equipment?

C. Is the recipient able to operate the equipment/item requested — ☐ Yes ☐ No — if not, who will do this?

D. Is training provided or required? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain:

E. State where equipment/item will be used:

☐ Home (Describe type of dwelling and accessibility)

☐ Nursing Home

☐ School

☐ Office

☐ Job

(Describe type of dwelling and accessibility)

F. Attach an Occupational or Physical Therapy Report if available.

G. State estimated duration of need:

H. If renewal or continuation of DME Authorization is requested, describe the recipient's

- Current clinical condition
- Progress (improvement; no change, etc.)
- Results
- Recipient's use of equipment/item prescribed

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I. Indicate amount of oxygen to be administered:

____ Liters per minute

____ Continuous

____ Hours per day

____ PRN

____ Days per week

____ PaO₂

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J. _____

Date

Requesting Provider's Signature

Glossary of Common Terms

BadgerCare

BadgerCare extends Medicaid coverage through a Medicaid expansion under Titles XIX and XXI to uninsured children and parents with incomes at or below 185% of the federal poverty level and who meet other program requirements. The goal of BadgerCare is to fill the gap between Medicaid and private insurance without supplanting or “crowding out” private insurance.

BadgerCare benefits are identical to the benefits and services covered by Wisconsin Medicaid and recipients’ health care is administered through the same delivery system.

CMS

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. An agency housed within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the CMS administers Medicare, Medicaid, related quality assurance programs and other programs. Formerly known as the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA).

CPT

Current Procedural Terminology. A listing of descriptive terms and codes for reporting medical, surgical, therapeutic, and diagnostic procedures. These codes are developed, updated, and published annually by the American Medical Association and adopted for billing purposes by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), formerly HCFA, and Wisconsin Medicaid.

DHCF

Division of Health Care Financing. The DHCF administers Wisconsin Medicaid for the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) under statutory provisions, administrative rules, and the state’s Medicaid plan. The state’s Medicaid plan is a comprehensive description of the state’s Medicaid program that provides the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), formerly HCFA, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), assurances that the program is administered in conformity with federal law and CMS policy.

DHFS

Department of Health and Family Services. The Wisconsin DHFS administers Medicaid. Its primary mission is to foster healthy, self-reliant individuals and families by promoting independence and community responsibility; strengthening families; encouraging healthy behaviors; protecting vulnerable children, adults, and families; preventing individual and social problems; and providing services of value to taxpayers.

DHHS

Department of Health and Human Services. The United States government’s principal agency for protecting the health of all Americans and providing essential human services, especially for those who are least able to help themselves.

The DHHS includes more than 300 programs, covering a wide spectrum of activities, including overseeing Medicare and Medicaid; medical and social science research; preventing outbreak of infectious disease; assuring food and drug safety; and providing financial assistance for low-income families.

DME

Durable medical equipment. Durable medical equipment are medically necessary devices that can withstand repeated use. All prescribed DME must:

- Be necessary and reasonable for treating a recipient’s illness, injury, or disability.
- Be suitable for the recipient’s residence.
- Be useful to a recipient who is ill, injured, or disabled.
- Serve a primary medical purpose.

DMS

Disposable medical supplies. Disposable medical supplies are medically necessary items that have a very limited life expectancy and are consumable, expendable, disposable, or nondurable. All prescribed DMS must:

- Be necessary and reasonable for treating a recipient’s illness, injury, or disability.
- Be suitable for the recipient’s residence.

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- Be useful to a recipient who is ill, injured, or disabled.
- Serve a primary medical purpose.

DMS Index

Disposable medical supplies index. The DMS Index lists the items covered by Wisconsin Medicaid, the maximum allowable fee for each item, and the limitations applicable to each code.

DOS

Date of service. The calendar date on which a specific medical service is performed.

Dual entitlements

Those recipients who are eligible for coverage by both Wisconsin Medicaid and Medicare Part A, Part B, or both.

Emergency services

Those services which are necessary to prevent death or serious impairment of the health of the individual. (For the Medicaid managed care definition of emergency, refer to the Managed Care Guide or the Medicaid managed care contract.

EVS

Eligibility Verification System. The EVS allows providers to verify recipient eligibility prior to providing services. Providers may access recipient eligibility information through the following methods:

- Wisconsin Medicaid's Automated Voice Response (AVR) system.
- Commercial magnetic stripe card readers.
- Commercial personal computer software or Internet access.
- Wisconsin Medicaid's Provider Services (telephone correspondents).
- Wisconsin Medicaid's Direct Information Access Line with Updates for Providers (Dial-Up).

Exceptional supplies

To be eligible for exceptional supply needs, recipients must either:

- Be ventilator dependent.
- Have a tracheostomy that requires extensive care at least twice in an eight-hour period of time.

The exceptional supply procedure code allows Wisconsin Medicaid to separately reimburse certain supplies and equipment usually included in the nursing home daily rate.

Fee-for-service

The traditional health care payment system under which physicians and other providers receive a payment for each unit of service provided rather than a capitation payment for each recipient.

HCFA

Health Care Financing Administration. *Please see the definition under CMS.*

HCPSC

Health Care Procedure Coding System. A listing of services, procedures, and supplies offered by physicians and other providers. HCPSC includes *Current Procedural Terminology* (CPT) codes, national alphanumeric codes, and local alphanumeric codes. The national codes are developed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), formerly HCFA, in order to supplement CPT codes. Formerly known as "HCFA Common Procedure Coding System."

Maximum allowable fee schedule

A listing of all procedure codes allowed by Wisconsin Medicaid for a provider type and Wisconsin Medicaid's maximum allowable fee for each procedure code.

Median

A median is the middle value of a distribution; half the values lie at or above the median, and half lie at or below it.

Medicaid

Medicaid is a joint federal/state program established in 1965 under Title XIX of the Social Security Act to pay for medical services for people with disabilities, people 65 years and older, children and their caretakers, and pregnant women who meet the program's financial requirements.

The purpose of Wisconsin Medicaid is to provide reimbursement for and assure the availability of appropriate medical care to persons who meet the criteria for Medicaid. Wisconsin Medicaid is also

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known as the Medical Assistance Program, Title XIX, or T19.

Medically necessary

According to HFS 101.03 (96m), a Medicaid service that is:

- (a) Required to prevent, identify or treat a recipient's illness, injury, or disability; and
- (b) Meets the following standards:
 1. Is consistent with the recipient's symptoms or with prevention, diagnosis or treatment of the recipient's illness, injury, or disability;
 2. Is provided consistent with standards of acceptable quality of care applicable to type of service, the type of provider and the setting in which the service is provided;
 3. Is appropriate with regard to generally accepted standards of medical practice;
 4. Is not medically contraindicated with regard to the recipient's diagnoses, the recipient's symptoms or other medically necessary services being provided to the recipient;
 5. Is of proven medical value or usefulness and, consistent with s. HFS 107.035, is not experimental in nature;
 6. Is not duplicative with respect to other services being provided to the recipient;
 7. Is not solely for the convenience of the recipient, the recipient's family or a provider;

8. With respect to prior authorization of a service and to other prospective coverage determinations made by the department, is cost-effective compared to an alternative medically necessary service which is reasonably accessible to the recipient; and
9. Is the most appropriate supply or level of service that can safely and effectively be provided to the recipient.

POS

Place of service. A single-digit code that identifies where the service was performed.

Prescription

An order for a service for a particular patient, written in accordance with HFS 107.02(2m), Wis. Admin. Code.

TOS

Type of service. A single-digit code that identifies the general category of a procedure code.

Type 1 Diabetes

Insulin-treated diabetes. The recipient receives insulin injections to treat his or her diabetes.

Type 2 Diabetes

Non-insulin treated diabetes. The recipient may take oral medication to treat his or her diabetes.

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