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To: HealthSmart Benefit Services

From: Charlotte Stover, Director of Operations

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Re: Ventilator Rental

Rental (exceeding 3 months) of a ventilator must be pre-certified and the patient should be considered for case management.

All products classified as ventilators must be billed using one of the following HCPCS codes:

- E0465 - Home ventilator, any type, used with invasive interface, (e.g., tracheostomy tube)
- E0466 - Home ventilator, any type, used with non-invasive interface, (e.g., mask, chest shell)

The monthly rental payment for items in this pricing category is all-inclusive meaning there is no separate payment for any options, accessories or supplies used with a ventilator. In addition, all necessary maintenance, servicing, repairs and replacement are also included in the monthly rental.

Monthly rental will be paid for as long as the ventilator is deemed medically necessary.

This policy change will apply to any concentrator which is currently in a rental contract.

NOTE This policy will not apply to a ventilator being used in CPAP or bi-level mode. These should not be billed under either of the codes listed above.