

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice of Proposed Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA)

SPA 22-D: Medical Equipment Devices and Supplies (MEDS) - HIPAA Compliance Fee Schedule Update for Medical Surgical Supplies (MSS)

The State of Connecticut Department of Social Services (DSS) proposes to submit the following Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Changes to Medicaid State Plan

Effective on or after January 1, 2022, SPA 22-D will amend Attachment 4.19-B of the Medicaid State Plan in order to implement the changes detailed below. First, this SPA incorporates the January 2022 Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) updates to the Medical Surgical Supplies (MSS) fee schedule. DSS is making these changes to ensure that this fee schedule remains compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Second, this SPA reflects that procedure code A4397 (irrigation supply sleeve, each) will be discontinued from the MSS fee schedule because this irrigation supply sleeve code A4397 is being divided into separate reusable and disposable irrigation sleeve billing codes.

Finally, the following replacement procedure codes will be added to the MSS fee schedule:

- A4436 (Irrigation supply; sleeve, reusable, per month), and
- A4437 (Irrigation supply; sleeve, disposable, per month)

The fee schedule amount for 1 month of the sleeves will be equivalent to the A4397 fee schedule amount multiplied by the monthly use limit of 4. Therefore, the current monthly fee schedule amounts will continue to apply to procedure codes A4436 and A4437 effective on or after January 1, 2022. The new established fee schedule amounts for each procedure code will be \$19.94 per month.

Fee schedules are published at this link: <http://www.ctdssmap.com>, then select “Provider”, then select “Provider Fee Schedule Download”, then Accept or Decline the Terms and Conditions and then select the applicable fee schedule.

Fiscal Impact

DSS does not anticipate that the HIPAA compliance update to MEDS will have significant changes in annual aggregate expenditures in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2022 and SFY 2023.

Obtaining SPA Language and Submitting Comments

The proposed SPA is posted on the DSS website at this link: <https://portal.ct.gov/DSS/Health-And-Home-Care/Medicaid-State-Plan-Amendments>. The proposed SPA may also be obtained at any DSS field office, at the Town of Vernon Social Services Department, or upon request from DSS (see below).

To request a copy of the SPA from DSS or to send comments about the SPA, please email: Public.Comment.DSS@ct.gov or write to: Department of Social Services, Medical Policy Unit, 55 Farmington Avenue, 9th Floor, Hartford, CT 06105. Please reference “SPA 22-D: Medical Equipment Devices and Supplies (MEDS) - HIPAA Compliance Fee Schedule Update for Medical Surgical Supplies (MSS).”

Anyone may send DSS written comments about this SPA. Written comments must be received by DSS at the above contact information no later than January 12, 2022.

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
State Connecticut

Home Health Services (Continued)

(d) Medical supplies, equipment and appliances suitable for use in the home – Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of Medical supplies, equipment and appliances suitable for use in the home. The agency’s fee schedule rates were set as of ~~November~~January 1, 2022~~1~~ and are effective for services provided on or after that date. All rates are published on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: <https://www.ctdssmap.com>. From this web page, go to “Provider,” then to “Provider Fee Schedule Download,” then select the applicable fee schedule. Over-the-counter products provided by pharmacies are reimbursed at Average Wholesale Price (AWP). .

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