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Date: January 7, 2011

To: MA Nursing Home Providers

From: Tom Lawless, Director
Bureau of Financial Management

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Tom Lawless'.

Re: Managed Care Organization billing for Negative Pressure Wound Therapy Pumps

Effective for dates of service on, and after, July 1, 2010, reimbursement for the rental of negative pressure wound therapy pumps is no longer part of the nursing home daily rate. Nursing home providers may bill separately for qualifying rentals provided to MA fee for service residents. These claims may be made retroactively for dates of service beginning July 1, 2010.

The qualifying criteria and billing procedures are included in the Forward Health update no. 2010-104. That update is available on-line at the Forward Health web portal. The code for billing this service is E2402 for the first 90 days of service and E2402, with a "RR" modifier included after that.

Medicare Part A residents are not eligible for this additional billing. The service remains payable through the Part A daily rate.

Managed Care Organizations will provide separate payment under their own policies beginning January 1, 2011. For dates of service July 1, 2010, to December 31, 2010, nursing home providers should bill the Department's fiscal agent (i.e., HP) directly for rental of negative pressure wound therapy pumps utilized with Family Care MCO nursing home residents, using the same codes and guidelines as fee for service residents. Do not submit any claims for that time period to the managed long-term care organizations (MCOs). Beginning January 1, 2011, all claims for negative pressure wound therapy pumps for Family Care residents will be directed to the MCO.

If you have any questions please contact Jane Gottwald at 715-836-3059.