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INNER CANNULA QUANTITY LIMIT INCREASE

Effective July 1, 2016, the quantity restriction of inner cannulas, procedure code A4623, "tracheostomy inner cannula replacements", will be increased from two (2) inner cannulas per month to eight (8) inner cannulas per month.

If the participant is renting a ventilator or suction machine, the cannula replacements will continue to be included in the rental fee.

LOW PROFILE GASTROSTOMY TUBE REIMBURSEMENT

Effective July 1, 2016, the reimbursement rate for procedure code B4088EPBA, "gastrostomy tube, low profile, any material, any type", will be increased from \$33.71 to \$125.00. Quantity limitations will remain unchanged.

Additionally, effective July 1, 2016, requests for low profile gastrostomy tube using B9998EPBA will no longer be considered for approval. The correct code B4088EPBA will be required.

HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE DIAGNOSIS – SNF

Effective July 1, 2016, diagnosis codes G10, "Huntington's disease", will be added to the approved diagnosis list for consideration of a wheelchair for participants residing in a SNF.

All other policy requirements for consideration of a wheelchair for a participant residing in a SNF will remain unchanged.

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MO HealthNet Managed Care: The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- Services not included in MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the MO HealthNet card or by calling the Provider Communications Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-751-2896 and using Option One for the red or white card.

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