

Program Memorandum Intermediaries/Carriers

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Subject: Addition of Temporary "K" Codes

SCOPE

Effective July 1, 2003, new "K" codes will be established for billing dialysis supplies, speech generating devices, automatic defibrillators and supplies.

IMPLEMENTATION

Effective July 1, 2003, the following codes must be added to the DMERC system as follows:

- K0610 - Peritoneal dialysis clamp, each
- K0611 - Disposable cyclor set used with cyclor dialysis machine, each
- K0612 - Drainage extension line, sterile, for dialysis, each
- K0613 - Extension line with easy lock connectors, used with dialysis
- K0614 - Chemicals/antiseptic solutions used to clean/sterilize dialysis equipment, per 8 ounces

CVF Category	8, 60
DMERC DMEPOS Category	9
Type of Service	L
Place of Service	12, 31, 32, 33, 54, 55, 56
Pricing	52

K0615 - Speech generating device, digitized speech, using pre-recorded messages, greater than 8 minutes but less than or equal to 20 minutes recording time

K0616 - Speech generating device, digitized speech, using pre-recorded messages, greater than 20 minutes but less than or equal to 40 minutes recording time

K0617 - Speech generating device, digitized speech, using pre-recorded messages, greater than 40 minutes recording time

CVF Category	4, 60
DMERC DMEPOS Category	1
Type of Service	A, P, R
Place of Service	12, 33, 54, 55, 56
Pricing	32

NOTE: Code K0542 is discontinued as of July 1, 2001. It is being replaced by K0615, K0616, and K0617.

K0606 - Automatic external defibrillator with integrated electrocardiogram analysis, garment type

CWF Category	1, 60
DMERC DMEPOS Category	4
Type of Service	R
Place of Service	12, 33, 54, 55, 56
Pricing	36

K0607 - Replacement battery for automatic external defibrillator, each

K0608 - Replacement garment for use with automatic external defibrillator, each

CWF Category	4, 60
DMERC DMEPOS Category	1
Type of Service	A, P, R
Place of Service	12, 33, 54, 55, 56
Pricing	32

K0609 - Replacement electrodes for use with automatic external defibrillator, each

CWF Category	16, 60
DMERC DMEPOS Category	9
Type of Service	A, P, R
Place of Service	12, 33, 54, 55, 56
Pricing	34

EDUCATION

DMERCs must publish this information in their next regularly scheduled bulletins and post it on their Web sites within one month of receiving this Program Memorandum (PM).

The *effective date* for this PM is July 1, 2003.

The *implementation date* for this PM is July 1, 2003.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after July 1, 2004.

If you have any questions, contact your Regional Office.