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Provider Notification: Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Updates

DME Updates Effective July 1, 2021:

- **Change of DME IC codes payment**
 - Aetna will pay Invoice + 30%
 - Must include copy of invoice for payment
 - Reimburse at no less than 90% of state Medicaid fee schedule

- **Resources**
 - Aetna of Better Health of Virginia Provider Portal post [here](#)
 - DMAS memo [here](#)

- **Portable Ramps Change - do not use previous Waiver T1999 or T5999**
 - Two types of portable ramps may be covered and require prior authorization and an evaluation from physical therapist, occupational therapist, or certified Assistive Technology Professional that must document the medical need for the ramp (**New Code E1399**):
 - Portable ramps
 - Threshold ramps
 - If member has a permanent ramp or vehicle already wheelchair accessible, then a portable ramp will not be covered.

- **Additional coverage for wheelchair tie-downs and medical car seats - do not use previous Waiver T1999 or T5999**
 - Prior authorization will be required and additionally may require specific documentation and attestations.
 - **Code T5001** for Medical Car Seats
 - **Code K0108** for Wheelchair Tie-downs (may be referenced as transit option)
 - Note: Easy lock systems for conversion vans are **not** covered.

- **Resources**
 - DMAS DME manuals [here](#)
 - DMAS DME Provider Manual Chapter IV Covered Services and Limitations [here](#)

- **Recall of CPAP, BiPAP, and ventilators from Philips Respironics**
 - DME providers need to submit an authorization for replacements for the recalled previously supplied device.
 - *Certification of Medical Necessity* not initially needed with authorization, but it will need to be provided within 60 days of receipt of the new device.

- **Resources**
 - Aetna of Better Health of Virginia Provider Portal post [here](#)
 - Manufacturer recall notice [here](#).