



Health & Human Services

Skilled Nursing Facility

Excludes:

Basic Care and Assisted Living

DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT MANUAL

COVERAGE AND LIMITATION CRITERIA AND POLICIES

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List of Routine Drugs, Supplies & Durable Medical Equipment

The following is a list of routine drugs and DMEPOS items that are reflected on the Skilled Nursing Facilities cost statement as part of their per diem rate and are not payable to pharmacies or other suppliers.

For a searchable list of DMEPOS codes that show whether a skilled nursing facility is responsible, refer to the [Procedure Code Look-Up Tool](#) or the [detailed DME fee schedule](#).

Over The Counter (Non-Legend) Items, including, but not limited to:

- Aspirin, Acetaminophen
- Antacids
- Antidiarrheals
- Antihistamines
- Hemorrhoidal Preparations
- Laxatives
- Liniments
- Lotions/Creams
- Vitamins

Personal Items, including, but not limited to:

- Artificial Sweeteners
- Breath Fresheners
- Cleansing Antibacterial Solutions
- Denture Cream, Denture Adhesive
- Deodorant
- Mouthwash

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Personal Items, including, but not limited to:

- Razor Blades
- Salt Substitute
- Shampoos
- Soap
- Talcum Powder
- Tissues
- Toothpaste, Tooth powder, Toothbrush

Supplies and Durable Medical Equipment, including, but not limited to:

- Ace Bandages
- Aero-chamber/Inhale aid
- Alcohol (rubbing), Antiseptics, Hydrogen Peroxide
- Ambu Bags
- Apnea Monitors
- Band-Aids
- Bandages, including Ace bandages
- Batteries, Hearing Aid, Larynx
- Bedrails, Footboard
- BIPAP, CPAP Machines
- Blood Glucose Monitoring Devices, test strips and supplies

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- Blood Stool Testers
- Catheters, Tubing, Bags & Irrigating Syringes
- Communication Devices
- Clinistix, Ketostix, Dextrostix
- Clinitest, Diastix, Ketodiastix, etc.
- Commode Chairs
- Compression Stockings
- Cotton
- Cradles
- Crutches, Canes
- Deodorizers
- Dressings, Vigilon, Duoderm, Bioclusive
- Enemas, equipment and disposable
- Examination Equipment
- Finger Cots
- Fleece Pads, Sheep Skin
- Foam Pads
- Gastric Feeding Tubes, Sets, Bags
- Gauze, Gauze pads, 4 x 4's
- Geriatric Chairs

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- Gloves
- Heating Pads
- Hot Water Bottles
- Humidifiers
- Ice Bags
- Incontinence Pads & Briefs, Under pads, Sanitary Napkins, Disposable or Reusable Diapers
- IPPB Equipment
- IV Solutions Without Medication Admix
- IV Tray or Subcutaneous Tray and Tubing
- Lamps (SUN, SADD, psoriasis)
- Lubricants, e.g., Vaseline, K-Y Jelly
- Lymphoedema devices
- Needles, reusable and disposable (excluding Diabetic)
- Nebulizers
- Ostomy Supplies and Related Items
- Oxygen, Oxygen Masks, Oxygen Cannula, Oxygen Catheters, Oxygen
- Concentrators, Carts, Stands, Regulators, etc.
- Pumps, Parenteral and Enteral
- Q-Tips, Applicators
- Restraints

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- Roho Cushions
- Seating Systems non-customized
- Sodium Chloride for Irrigation/Inhalation
- Specialized beds or mattresses costing less than \$25 per day
- Standing Frames
- Suction Machine and Supplies
- Supplemental Nutritional Formulas, e.g., Ensure, Infant Formula
- Suppositories, Glycerin
- Suture Trays
- Syringes, all types
- Tape, e.g., Micropore, Surgical
- T.E.D. Stockings
- Telfa
- Tes-Tape
- Thermometers
- Toilet Risers
- Tracheostomy Supplies
- Trapeze Bars
- Under pads
- Vaporizers

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- Walkers
- Wheelchairs

Vaccines for mass immunizations including, but not limited to:

- Influenza Vaccines
- Pneumonia Vaccines

Allowed for separate payment:

All related policy coverage, limitations, and documentation requirements apply.

- Hearing Aids
- Orthotics, shoes for diabetics, customized shoes, and custom seating systems for member-owned equipment are allowed for separate payment but must be ordered by a specialist and receive prior approval.
- Prosthetics must be ordered by a specialist and receive prior approval.
 - Excluded from requiring prior approval: (L8000 – L8030)
- Repairs to member-owned equipment. The member must own the equipment before entering the nursing home. See the Repairs section of the DME Manual for detailed information.
- Specialized beds or mattresses costing \$25 or more per day
- Vacuum-assisted wound closure system
- Ventilator

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Date Revised	Revisions
March 2019	Reformatted Appendix D and separated specific to Skilled Nursing Facility to new format. Under Allowed for separate payment section. Bullet 4 removed "Repairs to recipient owned equipment and if total cost of accumulative repair is less than 75% of replacement cost. (The equipment must be patient owned before entering the nursing home). Effective 6-15-2013," Added Repairs to member-owned equipment. The equipment must be owned by the member before entering the nursing home. See the Repairs/Replacement sections in the DME Manual for additional information.
November 29, 2023	Reviewed and reformatted. No changes.
December 26, 2025	Reviewed and reformatted. Added 'For a searchable list of DMEPOS codes that show whether a skilled nursing facility is responsible, refer to the Procedure Code Look-Up Tool or the detailed DME fee schedule '.