A Message to
***Business Office Managers***

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** All Contracting Durable Medical Equipment Providers

**FROM:** Kathleen Mariano
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**DATE:** **October 24, 2001**

**SUBJECT:** J Code Update

The reimbursement rate for the following inhalation solution drugs has been updated effective October 1, 2001 for the following plans: AmeriHealth HMO, AmeriHealth 65, AmeriHealth Point of Service, AmeriHealth Personal Choice and AmeriHealth Personal Choice 65.

For services provided on or after October 1, 2001 the reimbursement is indicated below.

| Code | Description | Fee |
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| J7618 | ALBULEROL, INHALATION SOLUTION, CONCENTRATED | $0.72 |
| J7619 | ALBULEROL, INHALATION SOLUTION, UNIT DOSE | $0.72 |
| J7644 | IPRATROPIUM BROMIDE, INHALATION SOLUTION, UNIT DOSE | $5.00 |
| J7648 | ISOETHARINE HCL, INHALATION SOLUTION, CONCENTRATED | $1.70 |
| J7649 | ISOETHARINE HCL, INHALATION SOLUTION, UNIT DOSE | $1.70 |

As communicated previously, inhalation solution pricing is reviewed quarterly.

Please note that only Durable Medical Equipment providers with valid pharmacy licenses are approved by AmeriHealth to supply inhalation solutions.

Please share this information with your staff. If you have any questions regarding this Bulletin, please contact Kimberly Lees-Pratt, Ancillary Coordinator, at (856) 778-6652.