A Message to

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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Contracting Durable Medical Equipment Providers

FROM: Kimberly Lees-Pratt
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DATE: September 4, 2002

SUBJECT: Capped Rental Policy

AmeriHealth has revised its policy on the rental of certain Durable Medical Equipment (DME) items for the following plans: AmeriHealth HMO, AmeriHealth Point of Service, AmeriHealth 65 and AmeriHealth Personal Choice.

Please note the following changes:

- For all rentals beginning on or after October 1, 2002, the HCPCS codes listed on the attached document will be considered purchased after ten (10) monthly payments are applied to the item.

- Any currently rented item on the attached list in which the total amount paid towards the rental **has met or has exceeded** the contracted purchase price of the item will be considered purchased immediately. No additional payments will be issued for that item.

- Any item on the attached list rented prior to October 1, 2002 that has not yet met the purchase price will be rented until at which time the total rental payments amount to the contracted purchase rate, even if the rental period exceeds 10 months.

In order to accommodate these changes, the pricing for some items has been revised effective October 1, 2002. Please reference the attached document for revised pricing.

Requests for repairs will be reviewed and approved by Patient Care Management on a case by case basis. Please be prepared to submit a copy of the manufacturer's warranty along with the repair request.

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

Code	Description	Rental Fee	Purchase Fee
E0145	WALKER, WHEELED, WITH SEAT AND CRUTCH ATTACHMENTS	$12.15	$121.50
E0146	FOLDING WALKER, WHEELED, WITH SEAT	$8.16	$81.60
E0165	COMMODE CHAIR, STATIONARY, WITH DETACHABLE ARMS	$8.86	$88.60
E0166	COMMODE CHAIR,MOBILE	$15.61	$156.10
E0169	COMMODE CHAIR WITH SEAT LIFT	$26.37	$263.70
E0180	PRESSURE PAD, ALTERN	$17.40	$174.00
E0181	PRESSURE PAD, ALTERN	$18.89	$188.90
E0182	PUMP FOR ALTERNATING	$20.22	$202.20
E0186	GEL PAD USE WITH WHE	$20.04	$200.40
E0187	FLOTATION PAD FOR WH	$20.21	$202.10
E0193	POWERED AIR FLOTATION BED	$692.76	$6,927.60
E0196	GEL PRESSURE MATRESS	$22.13	$221.30
E0250	HOSPITAL BED, FIXED HEIGHT, WITH MATTRESS	$59.59	$595.90
E0251	HOSP BED WITH SIDE RAILS,FIXED HEIGHT,W/O MATTRESS	$56.22	$562.20
E0255	HOSPITAL BED, VARIABLE HEIGHT, (HI-LO), WITH MATTRESS	$66.26	$662.60
E0256	HOSPITAL BED W/ SIDE RAILS AND MATTRESS	$45.23	$452.30
E0260	HOSPITAL BED,SEMI-ELECTRIC(HEAD & FOOT ADJUST),WITH MATTRESS	$99.37	$993.70
E0261	HOSPITAL BED, SEMIELECTRIC;W/O MATTRESS	$74.52	$745.20
E0265	HOSPITAL BED,TOTAL ELECTRIC (HEAD,FOOT & HEIGHT ADJUST)MATTR	$135.34	$1,353.40
E0266	HOSP BED,W SIDE RAILS,TOTAL ELECTRIC HEAD,FOOT,&HGHT ADJ W/O MATTRESS	$132.18	$1,321.80
E0277	REDUC PRESS AIR MATT	$432.68	$4,326.80
E0290	HOSP BED W/O SIDE RAILS; W/ MATTRESS	$42.70	$427.00
E0291	HOSP BED, W/O SIDE RAILS W/O MATTRESS	$31.18	$311.80
E0292	HOSPITAL BED,VARIABLE HEIGHT, HI-LO W/MATTRESS	$46.96	$469.60
E0293	HOSP BED, HI-LO;W/O SIDE RAILS; W/O MATTRESS	$44.75	$447.50
E0294	HOSP BED,SEMI-ELEC,HEAD & FT ADJUST. W/MATTRESS	$76.26	$762.60
E0295	HOSPITAL BED	$73.02	$730.20
E0296	HOSP BED,TOTAL ELECTRIC;HEAD, FT & HEIGHT ADJUSTMEN	$96.13	$961.30
E0297	HOSPITAL BED, TOTAL ELECTRIC W/O SIDE RAIL OR MATT	$88.62	$886.20
E0305	BED SIDE RAILS, HALF	$9.27	$92.70
E0371	MATTRESS OVERLAY	$223.50	$2,235.00
E0372	STND MATTRESS OVERLA	$271.20	$2,712.00
E0373	NONPOWER MATTRESS	$310.60	$3,106.00
E0462	ROCKING BED WITH OR WITHOUT SIDE RAILS	$173.80	$1,738.00
E0606	POSTURAL DRAINAGE BOARD	$10.44	$104.40
E0630	PATIENT LIFT, HYDRAU	$61.36	$613.60

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E0635	Patient lift, electric, with seat or sling	$65.14	$651.40
E0910	TRAPEZE BARS, A/K/A	$13.17	$131.70
E0920	FRACTURE FRAME,ATTAC	$27.34	$273.40
E0930	FRACTURE FRAME,FREE	$28.63	$286.30
E0940	TRAPEZE BAR, FREE ST	$15.84	$158.40
E0941	GRAVITY ASSISTED TRA	$38.09	$380.90
E0946	FRACTURE FRAME,DUAL	$38.91	$389.10
E0968	COMMODE SEAT, WHEELCHAIR	$11.75	$117.50
E1031	ROLLABOUT CHAIR	$33.48	$334.80
E1050	FULLY-RECLINING WHEELCHAIR, FIXED FULL ARMS &LEG ELEVATING	$56.16	$561.60
E1060	FULLY-RECLINING WHEELCHAIR DETCH ARMS & ELEV LEG RESTS	$74.58	$745.80
E1070	FULLY-RECLINE WHEELCHAIR, DETACH ARMS & FOOTREST	$65.66	$656.60
E1083	HEMI-WHEELCHAIR,FIXED FULL LENGTH ARMS;DETCH LEG REST	$48.95	$489.50
E1084	HEMI-WHEELCHAIR,DETCH ARMS,ELEV LEG RESTS	$58.70	$587.00
E1085	HEMI-WHEELCHAIR,FIXED FULL LENGTH ARMS,DETCH FOOT REST	$42.93	$429.30
E1086	HEMI-WHEELCHAIR,DETCH ARMS AND FOOT RESTS	$50.04	$500.40
E1087	HIGH STRENGTH LGTWGT WHEELCHAIR,FIXED ARMS,DETCH ELEV ARMS	$63.20	$632.00
E1088	HIGH STRENGTH LGTWGT WHEELCHAIR,DETCH ARMS & LEG REST	$85.54	$855.40
E1089	HIGH STRENGTH LGTWGT WHEELCHAIR,FIXED ARMS & DETCH FOOT REST	$74.56	$745.60
E1090	HIGH STRENGTH LGTWGT WHEELCHAIR,DETCH ARMS & FOOT REST	$72.90	$729.00
E1091	YOUTH WHEELCHAIR, ANY TYPE	$59.82	$598.20
E1092	WIDE HEAVY DUTY WHEELCHAIR,DETCH ARMS & FOOT REST	$80.69	$806.90
E1093	WIDE HEAVY DUTY WHEELCHAIR,DETCH ARMS & FOOT RESTS	$70.74	$707.40
E1100	SEMI-RECLINING WHEELCHAIR, FIXED ARMS, ELEVATING LEGREST	$59.48	$594.80
E1110	SEMI-RECLINING WHEELCHAIR, DETACHABLE ARMS ELEVATING LEGREST	$58.12	$581.20
E1130	STANDARD WHEELCHAIR, FIXED FULL LENGTH ARMS, SWING AWAY FOOT	$28.66	$286.60
E1140	STANDARD WHEELCHAIR, DETACHABLE ARMS SWING DETACH FOOTREST	$44.73	$447.30
E1150	STANDARD WHEELCHAIR, DETACHABLE ARMS ELEVATING LEGREST	$55.86	$558.60
E1160	STANDARD WHEELCHAIR FIXED FULL LENGTH ARMS ELEVATING LEGREST	$42.11	$421.10
E1170	AMPUTEE WHEELCHAIR FIXED FULL LENGTH ARMS ELEVATING LEGRESTS	$40.22	$402.20
E1171	AMPUTEE WHEELCHAIR,FIXED ARMS W/O FOOT/LEG RESTS	$45.42	$454.20
E1172	AMPUTEE WHEELCHAIR,DETCH ARMS W/O FOOT/LEG RESTS	$51.53	$515.30
E1180	AMPUTEE WHEELCHAIR, DETACH ARMS FOOTRESTS	$49.63	$496.30
E1190	AMPUTEE WHEELCHAIR, DETACHABLE ARMS ELEVATING LEGRESTS	$59.06	$590.60
E1195	HEAVY DUTY WHEELCHAIR,FIXED ARMS & DETCH LEG RESTS	$48.81	$488.10
E1200	AMPUTEE WHEELCHAIR, FIXED FULL LENGTH ARMS, DETACH FOOTREST	$57.77	$577.70

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Code	Description	Rental Fee	Purchase Fee
E1210	MOTORIZED WHEELCHAIR/MICRO-SWITCH/FIXED ARMS/DETCH LEG RESTS	$218.30	$2,183.00
E1211	MOTOR WHEELCHAIR,MICRO-SWITCH,FULL ARM,SWING LEG RESTS	$225.14	$2,251.40
E1212	MOTORIZED WHEELCHAIR W MICRO-SW CONTROL	$171.76	$1,717.60
E1213	MOTOR WHEELCHAIR,MICRO-SWITCH CNTRL,DETCH ARM,SWINGFTRESTS,DESK/FULL L	$228.64	$2,286.40
E1221	WHEELCHAIR WITH FIXED ARM,FOOT RESTS	$21.80	$218.00
E1222	WHEELCHAIR WITH FIXED ARM,ELEVATING LEG RESTS	$54.54	$545.40
E1223	WHEELCHAIR WITH DETACH ARMS, FOOT RESTS	$42.05	$420.50
E1224	WHEELCHAIR WITH DETACH ARMS,ELEV LEG RESTS	$60.29	$602.90
E1225	SEMI-RECLINING BACK	$21.41	$214.10
E1226	FULL RECLINING BACK	$25.04	$250.40
E1228	SPECIAL BACK HEIGHT	$11.81	$118.10
E1240	LIGTHWEIGHT WHEELCHAIR, DETACHABLE ARMS,ELEVATING LEGREST	$53.59	$535.90
E1250	LIGHTWEIGHT WHEELCHAIR, FIXED FULL LENGTH ARMS, DETACH FOOT	$42.60	$426.00
E1260	LIGHTWEIGHT WHEELCHAIR, DETACHABLE ARMS DETACH FOOTREST	$56.25	$562.50
E1270	LIGHTWEIGHT WHEELCHAIR FIXED FULL LENGTH ARMS ELEVAT LEGREST	$53.10	$531.00
E1280	HEAVY DUTY WHEELCHAIR, DETACH ARMS ELEVATING LEGRESTS	$80.51	$805.10
E1285	HEAVY DUTY WHEELCHAIR, FIXED FULL LENGTH ARMS, DETACH FOOT	$51.59	$515.90
E1290	HEAVY DUTY WHEELCHAIR, DETACH ARMS AND FOOTREST	$72.70	$727.00
E1295	HEAVY DUTY WHEELCHAIR, FIXED FULL LENGTH ARMS, ELEVATING LEG	$66.89	$668.90
K0001	STANDARD WHEELCHAIR	$28.66	$286.60
K0002	STANDARD HEMI(LOW SEAT) WHEELCHAIR	$42.93	$429.30
K0003	LIGHTWEIGHT WHEELCHAIR	$47.00	$470.00
K0004	HIGH STRENGTH, LIGHTWEIGHT WHEELCHAIR	$67.37	$673.70
K0005	ULTRAWEIGHT WHEELCHAIR	$96.99	$969.86
K0006	HEAVY DUTY WHEELCHAIR	$65.79	$657.90
K0007	EXTRA HEAVY-DUTY WHEELCHAIR	$90.98	$909.80
K0010	MOTORIZED-POWER WHEELCHAIR;STANDARD WGHT FRAME	$190.12	$1,901.20
K0011	POWER WHEELCHAIR W/ PROGRAM CONTROL/STND WGHT FRAM	$266.29	$2,662.90
K0012	POWER WHEELCHAIR, MOTORIZED, PORTABLE	$163.36	$1,633.60
K0101	ONE-ARM ATTACHMENT	$22.77	$227.70
K0195	ELEV LEG RESTS,PAIR	$11.06	$110.60
K0460	POWER ADD ON TO CONVERT WC	$137.36	$1,373.60
K0549	>350 LB CAP HOSP BED	$167.56	$1,675.56
K0550	>600 LB CAP HOSP BED	$167.56	$1,675.56

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