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New Temporary Codes for Adjustable Wheelchair Cushions

Note: This article was revised on August 20, 2007, to add a reference to MLN Matters article MM3069 in the Additional Information section. MM3069 established twenty "K" codes for wheelchair cushions provided on or after July 1, 2004. All other information remains the same.

Provider Types Affected

Durable medical equipment (DME) suppliers and providers who order wheelchair services for Medicare beneficiaries

Provider Action Needed



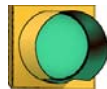
STOP – Impact to You

Medicare may not reimburse you correctly for ordering or supplying wheelchair cushions for your Medicare patients if you do not use the correct codes on your claim.



CAUTION – What You Need to Know

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has established four new "K" codes for adjustable wheelchair cushions, effective July 1, 2006.



GO – What You Need to Do

Make sure that your billing staffs are aware of these new "K" codes for wheelchair cushions.

Background

CMS has established four new "K" codes for adjustable wheelchair cushions, effective for services provided on or after July 1, 2006.

These new codes are displayed in the following table:

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"K" Codes for Adjustable Wheelchair Cushions, Effective July 1, 2006

Code	Description
K0734	Skin protection wheelchair seat cushion, adjustable, width less than 22 inches, any depth
K0735	Skin protection wheelchair seat cushion, adjustable, width 22 inches or greater, any depth
K0736	Skin protection and positioning wheelchair seat cushion, adjustable, width less than 22 inches, any depth
K0737	Skin protection and positioning wheelchair seat cushion, adjustable, width 22 inches or greater, any depth

Additional Information

You can find more information about the four new "K" codes for adjustable wheelchair cushions at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R835CP.pdf> on the CMS website.

Providers may want to review MM3069 that established twenty "K" codes for wheelchair cushions provided on or after July 1, 2004. That article may be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/mm3069.pdf> on the CMS website.

If you have any questions concerning these codes, you may contact your Medicare DME regional carrier or fiscal intermediary (FI) at their toll-free number, which you can find at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.zip> on the CMS website.

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