

E0445- Pulse Oximeter Coverage Criteria Update

Please make the following changes in the Procedure Code sections of your DME Provider Manual (Rev. 2015-2).

Effective immediately, the coverage criteria for rental of an oximeter device has been expanded to the following:

E0445 #Oximeter device for measuring blood oxygen levels non-invasively

- Covered only in combination with oxygen therapy. **In the case of a pediatric patient with a univentricular heart, an oximeter device is covered without supplemental oxygen therapy.**
- Not to be billed with apnea monitors or ventilators unless treatment plan calls for weaning from these devices.
- The 30 day rate for pulse oximeters includes all supplies.

For questions on policy and coverage, call the Division of Operations and Systems at (800) 342-3005 option 1.