

Updated Fiscal Order Requirements

There are two important changes that will improve the timeliness of access to Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS) for Medicaid beneficiaries and reduce provider paperwork:

- 1. Effective dates of service on and after July 1, 2008, a fiscal order is not required for DMEPOS repairs, replacement parts, components and labor under the following circumstances:**
 - When the DMEPOS provider has on record the original fiscal order for purchase of the equipment and its components; and
 - When the DMEPOS item is less than five years old; and
 - When the total estimated cost to make the DMEPOS item operative is less than 50% of the cost of replacement of the equipment and all of its components.

When the cost is greater than 50%, the ordering practitioner and provider may consider new equipment versus repair because Medicaid will replace items less than 5 years old if cost effective and medically necessary. If equipment is still in good working order after 5 years and meets the beneficiary's medical needs, it should not automatically be replaced.

- 2. Effective dates of service on and after July 1, 2008, a fiscal order written for DMEPOS on an Official NYS Serialized Prescription Form and faxed to the DME or Pharmacy provider will be considered an original order.** When an order for DMEPOS not written on the serialized official prescription form has been telephoned or faxed to the provider, it is the DME or Pharmacy provider's responsibility to obtain the original signed fiscal order from the ordering practitioner within 30 calendar days.

All other requirements remain in place. Refer to the DME and Pharmacy Provider Manuals, Policy and Procedure Code Sections: <http://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/index.html>

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