

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE BULLETIN

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SUBJECT

Disposable Breast Milk Collection and Storage Bags and Breast Pump

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IMPORTANT REMINDER: All providers must revalidate the Medical Assistance (MA) enrollment of each service location every 5 years. Providers should log into PROMISe to check the revalidation dates of each service location and submit revalidation applications at least 60 days prior to the revalidation dates. Enrollment (revalidation) applications may be found at: https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/PROMISe-Enrollment.aspx.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this bulletin is to advise providers of:

- the addition of procedure code K1005 to the Medical Assistance (MA) program Fee Schedule for disposable collection and storage bags for human milk;
- a fee increase for procedure codes A4281, A4282 and A4284, used for breast pump replacement supplies; and,
- the removal of the requirement for prior authorization for procedure code E0603, used for an electric breast pump.

SCOPE:

This bulletin applies to MA enrolled physicians, certified registered nurse practitioners, physician assistants, certified nurse midwives, home health agencies, pharmacies, and medical suppliers that prescribe or dispense medical supplies and durable medical equipment (DME) to MA beneficiaries in the fee-for-service delivery system. Providers rendering services to MA beneficiaries in the managed care delivery system should contact the appropriate managed care organization with any coding and billing questions.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS BULLETIN SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

Fee-for-service provider service center: 1-800-537-8862

Visit the Office of Medical Assistance Programs website at:

https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/Health%20Care%20for%20Providers/Contact-Information-for-Providers.aspx Stakeholders contacted the Department of Human Services (Department) to request that disposable breast milk collection and storage bags be a covered supply, as well as for fees be reevaluated for a possible price adjustment for certain breast pump replacement supplies. After evaluating these requests, the Department is making changes to the MA Program Fee Schedule as noted below.

PROCEDURE:

New Procedure Code

The Department added the following procedure code, with a limit of 120 bags per month, to the MA Program Fee Schedule, effective with dates of service on and after December 25, 2022:

Procedure Code	Code Description	MA Fee
K1005	Disposable Collection and Storage Bag for Breast Milk, Any Size, Any Type, Each	\$0.21 per bag

MA Program Fee Update

The Department previously updated the fee for the following procedure codes on the MA Program Fee Schedule, effective with dates of service on and after July 12, 2022:

Procedure Code	Code Description	MA Fee
A4281	Tubing For Breast Pump, Replacement	\$15.91 per unit
A4282	Adapter for Breast Pump, Replacement	\$22.70 per unit
A4284	Breast Shield and Splash Protector for Use with Breast Pump, Replacement	\$16.89 per unit

Prior Authorization Removal

The Department is removing the requirement for prior authorization of Procedure Code E0603, effective with dates of service on and after December 1, 2022:

Procedure Code	Code Description
E0603	Breast Pump, Electric (AC and/or DC), Any Type

Providers should refer to this bulletin, as well as the PROMISe™ Provider Handbook and Billing Guides that can be found on the Department's website at: https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/PROMISe_Guides/Pages/PROMISe-Handbooks.aspx.

The MA Program Outpatient Fee Schedule has been updated to reflect these changes. Providers may view the MA Program Outpatient Fee Schedule on the Department's website at the following link: https://www.humanservices.state.pa.us/outpatientfeeschedule.