



MEDICARE

Part A Intermediary
Part B Carrier
DME Regional Carrier

May 14, 2004

Beth Guevara
Respironics, Inc.
1001 Murray Ridge Lane
Murrysville, PA 15668

Re: ComfortGel Nasal Mask with Headgear (Models 1009040, 1009041, 1009042, 1009043)
ComfortGel Nasal Mask without Headgear (Models 1010518, 1010640, 1010519, 1010641)
ComfortGel Gel Cushion (Models 1009048, 1009049, 1009050, 1009051)
ComfortGel Silicone Comfort Flap (Models 1009052, 1009053, 1009054, 1009109)

Dear Ms. Guevara:

This letter is in response to your recent inquiry for coding verification of the ComfortGel Nasal Mask with Headgear (Models 1009040, 1009041, 1009042, 1009043), ComfortGel Nasal Mask without Headgear (Models 1010518, 1010640, 1010519, 1010641), ComfortGel Gel Cushion (Models 1009048, 1009049, 1009050, 1009051) and ComfortGel Silicone Comfort Flap (Models 1009052, 1009053, 1009054, 1009109). The Statistical Analysis Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier (SADMERC) has reviewed the documentation and information submitted for HCPCS Coding.

It is our determination that the Medicare HCPCS code(s) to bill the four Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs) is

A7034 Nasal interface (mask or cannula type) used with positive airway pressure device, with or without head strap for Models 1010518, 1010640, 1010519, 1010641.

A7034 Nasal interface (mask or cannula type) used with positive airway pressure device, with or without head strap and A7035 Headgear used with positive airway device for Models 1009040, 1009041, 1009042, 1009043.

A7032 Replacement cushion for nasal application device, each for Models 1009048, 1009049, 1009050, 1009051, 1009052, 1009053, 1009054, 1009109.

The SADMERC conducts reviews of products to determine the correct HCPCS code(s) of DMEPOS product(s) for Medicare billing. The assignment of a HCPCS code to the product(s) should in no way be construed as an approval or endorsement of the product(s) by SADMERC or Medicare, nor does it imply or guarantee claim reimbursement or coverage. Please address questions regarding claim coverage and reimbursement to your regional DMERC.

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Should you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact me at the address below or by telephone at (803) 763-1639.

Sincerely,

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cc: DMERCs