

OXYGEN AND RELATED SUPPLIES

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I. APPLICABILITY

This policy is mandatory for reimbursement of services provided by either network or non-network providers. However, alternative network reimbursement methodologies are permitted when approved by TMA and specifically included in the network provider agreement.

II. ISSUE

How are oxygen and supplies related to the use of oxygen to be reimbursed?

III. POLICY

A. Payments may be made for oxygen and for the rental or purchase of the oxygen concentrator. (Refer to [Chapter 1, Section 11](#) for DME: Basic Program and TRICARE Policy Manual, [Chapter 9, Section 15.1](#), PFPWD - Durable Equipment).

B. When the oxygen concentrator is rented or purchased cost-sharing shall be determined by using the allowable charge methodology.

C. When oxygen concentrators are cost-shared on a rental basis, the DME cost-sharing policy will not apply even though the purchase price for this equipment has been reached.

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