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TO: Pharmacy/DME Providers in the Nebraska Medicaid Program
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Please share this information with your staff and billing department.

****Effective October 1, 2006, Nebraska Medicaid will not cover any products billed for nutritional supplementation with the HCPCS codes of:

B4102 Enteral formula, for adults, used to replace fluids and electrolytes
(Boost Breeze, Carnation Instant Breakfast Juice Drink, Ceralyte
50/70/90, Enlive, Original New Orleans Smoothee, Resource Arginaid
Extra, Resource Breeze, Resource Diabetishield)

B4103 Enteral formula, for pediatrics, used to replace fluids and electrolytes
(Ceralyte 50/70/90 Oral Hydration Therapy, Pedialyte)

B4104 Additive for enteral formula (e.g. fiber)
(Clear 2 Go, CVF, Fiber 7, Fiber Supreme, Fiber-Stat, Liquid Fiber Flow,
Resource Benefiber, Scandical)

It has been determined that the products in these codes do not meet Medicaid coverage criteria for nutritional supplements.

****Also, effective October 1, 2006, when billing for nutritional supplements with the HCPCS codes of **B4157** and **B4162**:

Submit your manufacturer's cost invoice with the claim, on the cost invoice write the number of cans, packets or packages of the supplement you provided to the client.

The reimbursement for products with HCPCS codes B4157 and B4162 will be based on cost invoice plus 10%.

Nebraska Medicaid will reimburse for nutritional products in codes B4149-B4162 when the criteria for coverage is documented. The coverage criteria for nutritional supplements is to maintain weight and strength commensurate with the client's general condition. Nutritional supplement reimbursement will be based on the Nebraska Medicaid DME fee schedule which is available on the Health and Human Services System Medicaid website at www.hhs.state.ne.us/med/Practitioner_Fee_Schedule.htm

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