

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Community Care Policy Clarification CCAD 01006, CBA/HCSS 01002

TO: Regional Directors
Aged and Disabled Services

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Policy Clarification Question 1:

The Community Based Alternatives (CBA) provider manual states that if a CBA client has a condition requiring frequent use of thermometers, thermometer covers, gloves for universal precautions and alcohol swabs, that the Home and Community Support Services agency nurse uses to do a nurse assessment or in the delivery of nursing services, that these items can be approved as adaptive aids if the client has a condition requiring frequent use of such items. The items must be left in the client's home to be used by the family, informal support, or attendant in providing care.

Can these items be approved and billed under Medical Supplies?

Policy Clarification 1:

Yes, the manual will be revised to reflect that they should be authorized under Medical Supplies.

Policy Clarification Question 2:

Should a Form 3848 Completion of Service be completed for these items?

Policy Clarification 2:

No, these items will now be authorized and billed as medical supplies.

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If you have any questions, please contact your regional contact person.

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