

December 13, 2013

ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC
510 FOUNTAIN PARKWAY
GRAND PRAIRIE TX 75050

Re: Assigned HCPCS Codes for DME Billing

Xref: 28470005

SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81311	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81312	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81313	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81314	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81321	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81322	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81323	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81324	A6530
MEN'S SUPPORT SOCKS 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81001	A6530
MEN'S SUPPORT SOCKS 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81002	A6530
MEN'S SUPPORT SOCKS 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81003	A6530
MEN'S SUPPORT SOCKS 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81004	A6530
WOMEN'S TROUSER SOCK 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81101	A6530
WOMEN'S TROUSER SOCK 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81102	A6530
WOMEN'S TROUSER SOCK 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81103	A6530
WOMEN'S TROUSER SOCK 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81104	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81201	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81202	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81203	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81204	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81211	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81212	A6530
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SHEER KNEE HIGH 15-20 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	81224	A6530
MEN'S SUPPORT SOCKS 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82001	A6530
MEN'S SUPPORT SOCKS 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82002	A6530
MEN'S SUPPORT SOCKS 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82003	A6530

MEN'S SUPPORT SOCKS 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82004	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH MMHG 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82211	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82212	A6530
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SHEER KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82312	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82313	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHGTOE	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82314	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82321	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82322	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82323	A6530
SHEER KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82324	A6530
OPAQUE KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82401	A6530
OPAQUE KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82402	A6530
OPAQUE KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82403	A6530
OPAQUE KNEE HIGH 20-30 MMHG	ALEX ORTHOPEDIC INC	82404	A6530

Dear Linda Lavi:

As described below, the Pricing, Data Analysis, and Coding (PDAC) Contractor has reviewed the product(s) listed above and has approved the listed Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes for billing the four Durable Medical Equipment Medicare Administrative Contractors (DME MACs).

The PDAC Contractor provides coding assistance to manufacturers to ensure proper coding of Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS). The PDAC publishes coding decisions based on the coding guidelines established by the Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) and associated Policy Articles and any related Advisory Articles established by the DME MACs. All products submitted to the PDAC for a coding verification review are examined by coders and professionals following a formal, standardized process.

The PDAC has reviewed the above listed product(s). Based on this review and application of DME MAC policy, the HCPCS code(s) listed below should be used when billing the DME MACs:

A6530 - Gradient Compression Stocking, Below Knee, 18-30 mmHg, Each

This decision applies to the application we received on October 09, 2013. If information submitted in that application has changed or were to change, it could impact our decision. Therefore, a new application would need to be submitted for HCPCS coding verification review. The coding assigned in this decision letter will be available on the Product Classification List

(PCL) on the Durable Medical Equipment Coding System (DMECS) within ten (10) working days from the letter's date. The DMECS can be accessed on the PDAC website, www.dmepdac.com. Please take the time to verify that this coding decision is correctly reflected in DMECS.

If you disagree with this decision, you may request a reconsideration within 45 days of the letter's date and provide evidence to substantiate a reconsideration of PDAC's original coding determination. To request a reconsideration, complete the Reconsideration Request form located on the PDAC website at <https://www.dmepdac.com/review/requesting.html>. If your request for a reconsideration is made after the 45-day time frame, it will require a new application and documentation to support the request.

It is the responsibility of manufacturers and distributors to notify the PDAC immediately of any changes involving their products, as listed on the PCL on DMECS. Further information for requesting updates to the PCL can be found on the PDAC website at <https://www.dmepdac.com/review/notifying.html>. It is also the responsibility of manufacturers and distributors to assure their websites and product marketing materials accurately reflect the product reviewed by the PDAC and the coding decision assigned.

An assignment of the HCPCS code(s) to product(s) is not an approval or endorsement of the product(s) by Medicare or Noridian Healthcare Solutions; nor does it imply or guarantee claim reimbursement or coverage.

If you have questions about policy, claim coverage or reimbursement, please contact the DME MAC for your jurisdiction. For other questions, contact the PDAC Contact Center at the address listed above or by telephone at (877) 735-1326. The Contact Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. CT.

Sincerely,

PDAC
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