



State of New Jersey  
Department of Human Services  
Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services

# MEDICAID ALERT

September 1995

**TO:** Medical Suppliers

**SUBJECT:** Enhancements to the Medicaid Prior Authorization (PA) Process and Clarification of Procedures for Requesting PA from the Medicaid Program

**EFFECTIVE:** Immediately

**BACKGROUND:** In accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:59, the New Jersey Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) requires medical suppliers to request Prior Authorization (PA) for certain medical supplies and Durable Medical Equipment (DME) prior to providing a medical supply service. Medical suppliers must submit a properly completed "Medical Supplies and Equipment Prior Authorization" request form (FD-354) to the Medicaid District Office (MDO) for consideration. This Medicaid Alert does not change the PA requirements described in N.J.A.C.10:59-1.7, or the procedures established to request PA from the New Jersey Medicaid program.

The purpose of this Alert is to notify suppliers regarding enhancements to the Medicaid PA process and to clarify established procedures for requesting PA from the Medicaid program.

**ACTION:** (I) Enhancements to the Medicaid PA Process

As suppliers may be aware, PA requests processed by the MDO on and after March 15, 1995 for services provided under the procedure codes described below are entered into the New Jersey Medicaid Management Information System (NJMMIS), Prior Authorization File.

These procedure codes include:

B4150, B4151, B4152, B4153, B4154, B4155, B4156, B4164, B4168, B4172, B4176, B4178, B4180, B4184, B4186, B4189, B4193, B4197, B4199, B4216, B4220, B4222, B4224, B5000, B5100, B5200, A4554, X6000, X7520, A4253, E1396, E0570, E1375, E0607, E0609, A4927, X8020, E0608, and X0250.



authorization of "units of service" and to ensure consistency between the number of units approved and product packaging.

If you have any questions regarding this Medicaid Alert, please contact the Chief, Pharmaceutical Services, at 609-588-2724.

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