



MEDICARE

Part A Intermediary
Part B Carrier
DME Regional Carrier

September 25, 2003

Maren D. Anderson, President
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240 Otis Street
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Re: VitalWrap Hot/Cold Contrast System (Models VIT-00002, VIT-00123)
VitalWrap - Small Wrap (Model VIT-00107)
VitalWrap - Medium Wrap (Model VIT-00001)
VitalWrap - Large Wrap (Model VIT-00118)
VitalWrap - Shoulder Wrap (Model VIT-00119)
VitalWrap - Sports Bra (Model VIT-00120)
VitalWrap - Facial Wrap (Model VIT-00121)
VitalWrap - Cervical Neck Wrap (Model VIT-00122)

Dear Mr. Anderson:

This letter is in response to your recent inquiry for coding verification of the VitalWrap Hot/Cold Contrast System (Models VIT-00002, VIT-00123), VitalWrap - Small Wrap (Model VIT-00107), VitalWrap - Medium Wrap (Model VIT-00001), VitalWrap - Large Wrap (Model VIT-00118), VitalWrap - Shoulder Wrap (Model VIT-00119), VitalWrap - Sports Bra (Model VIT-00120), VitalWrap - Facial Wrap (Model VIT-00121), VitalWrap - Cervical Neck Wrap (Model VIT-00122). The Statistical Analysis Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier (SADMERC) has reviewed the documentation and information submitted for HCPCS Coding.

It is our determination that the Medicare HCPCS code(s) to bill the four Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs) is

E0217 Water circulating heat pad with pump when used as heat therapy for the VitalWrap Hot/Cold Contrast System (Models VIT-00002, VIT-00123)

E0218 Water circulating cold pad with pump when used as cold therapy for the VitalWrap Hot/Cold Contrast System (Models VIT-00002, VIT-00123)

A9900 Miscellaneous DME supply, accessory, and or service component of another HCPCS code for VitalWrap - Small Wrap (Model VIT-00107), VitalWrap - Medium Wrap (Model VIT-00001), VitalWrap - Large Wrap (Model VIT-00118), VitalWrap - Shoulder Wrap (Model VIT-00119), VitalWrap - Sports Bra (Model VIT-00120), VitalWrap - Facial Wrap (Model VIT-00121), VitalWrap - Cervical Neck Wrap (Model VIT-00122)

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Should you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact me at the address below or by telephone at (803) 763-8225.

Sincerely,



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SADMERC

cc: DMERCs