

# PROVIDERALERT



**To:** AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

**Date:** June 21, 2022

**Subject:** Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Manual Pricing

**Summary:** AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana is updating guidelines for manually priced DME claims.

Effective **July 21, 2022**, AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana will begin requiring hardcopy claim submissions for manually priced DME. Claims must include appropriate HCPCS codes along with the manufacturer's suggested retail price (MSRP).

The reimbursement for manually priced DME items is based on **the lessor of:**

- 70 percent of the 2000 Medicare fee schedule for all procedure codes that were listed on the year 2000 Medicare fee schedule, and at the same amount for the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) compliant codes which replaced them; or
- 70 percent of the Medicare fee schedule under which the procedure code first appeared; or
- 70 percent of the manufacturer's suggested retail price (MSRP) amount; or
- 70 percent of billed charges

**Questions:** Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the care of our members. If you have questions about this communication, please contact AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Provider Services at 1-888-922-0007 or your [Provider Network Management Account Executive](#).

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**Where can I find more information on COVID-19?**

AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana has updated its website to streamline communications and important notifications about COVID-19. Please visit <http://amerihealthcaritasla.com/covid-19> for up-to-date information for both providers and members, including frequently asked questions, and important provider alerts from AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana and the Louisiana Department of Health.