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October 9, 2006

Jennifer Hutter, President
MedSearch Legal Nurse Consultants, LLC
114 Ridge Spring Drive
Columbia, SC 29229

Re: Eclipse Oxygen System (Model 1000)
Manufactured by SeQual Technologies Inc.

Dear Ms. Hutter:

This letter is in response to your recent inquiry for coding verification of above listed product(s) manufactured by SeQual Technologies Inc. The Statistical Analysis Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier (SADMERC) has re-reviewed the documentation and information submitted for HCPCS Coding. The SADMERC conducts re-reviews of products to determine the correct HCPCS code(s) of DMEPOS product(s) for Medicare billing.

There has been a revision of the PSC Oxygen and Oxygen Equipment Medical Policy that affects the billing of your product. Therefore, **effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2006**, the correct Medicare HCPCS code(s) to bill the four Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs) is/are:

E1390 Oxygen concentrator, single delivery port, capable of delivering 85 percent or greater oxygen concentration at the prescribed flow rate.

E1392 Portable oxygen concentrator, rental.

This HCPCS coding decision applies to the submitted product(s) as presented to and reviewed by the SADMERC. Any modifications to the product(s) could change the HCPCS code and would need to be reviewed for coding verification. The assignment of a HCPCS code to the product(s) should in no way be construed as an approval or endorsement of the product(s) by SADMERC or Medicare, nor does it imply or guarantee claim reimbursement or coverage. For questions regarding claim coverage or reimbursement please contact your regional DMERC.

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Should you disagree with this coding decision, a re-review of the product(s) can be initiated. The SADMERC will provide a re-review if the request is made within 45 days of the date of this letter and additional documentation is provided supporting the request. If a request for a re-review is made after 45 days, the request is treated as a new Coding Verification Review and a complete application must be submitted along with the additional documentation supporting the request.

Should you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact me at the address below or by telephone at (803) 763-7373.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janice Neely, RN". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Janice Neely, RN
HCPCS Medical Analyst
SADMERC