# Transmittal Letter OXY-37



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**TO:** Oxygen and Respiratory Therapy and Equipment Providers Participating in MassHealth

**FROM:** Leslie Darcy, Director of Long-Term Services and Supports [signature of Leslie Darcy]

RE: *Oxygen and Respiratory Therapy Equipment* *Manual*: Updated Guidance for Payment of Shipping/Delivery

## Introduction

On July 1, 2023, MassHealth published [Administrative Bulletin 23-18](https://www.mass.gov/doc/administrative-bulletin-23-18-101-cmr-32200-durable-medical-equipment-oxygen-and-respiratory-therapy-equipment-payment-for-shipping-fee-and-mobility-system-repair-evaluation-effective-july-1-2023-2/download),adopting HCPCS Code A9901, and provided additional guidance through [Transmittal Letter OXY-36](https://www.mass.gov/doc/oxy-36-hcpcs-updates-to-subchapter-6-and-the-masshealth-durable-medical-equipment-and-oxygen-payment-and-coverage-guideline-tool-for-shipping-fee-0/download). Administrative Bulletin 23-18 remains in effect. This Transmittal Letter OXY-37 supersedes Transmittal Letter OXY-36.

For shipment dates on or after January 1, 2024, providers may bill HCPCS code A9901 as follows:

* For items that require shipping and delivery, providers may bill a claim for HCPCS Code A9901, once per member, per day, for up to 4 units.
* One unit may be submitted per shipping method. Each unit billed requires a corresponding delivery ticket or delivery service tracking slip that must be maintained in the member’s record. **Please note:** A provider may not bill A9901 units for multiple tracking numbers associated with a delivery service tracking slip.
* Providers may not bill HCPCS code A9901 for rental months for items beyond the initial date of delivery.

**For example:**

On January 1, 2024, a provider bills:

* + 1 unit for supplies delivered via provider’s fleet,
  + 1 unit if a member receives a separate, second shipment through a shipping service (e.g., UPS, FedEx),
  + 1 unit if a member receives an additional third shipment through a shipping service (e.g., UPS, FedEx).

And the claim appears as:

Date of Service: 12/01/2023

Line 1: A9901–3 Units

For prior authorization requirements, service limits, modifiers, and allowable place-of-service codes, providers should refer to the interactive tool: [MassHealth Durable Medical Equipment and Oxygen Payment and Coverage Guideline Tool](http://www.mass.gov/info-details/masshealth-payment-and-coverage-guideline-tools#masshealth-durable-medical-equipment-and-oxygen-payment-and-coverage-guideline-tool-).

## Fee Schedule

To obtain a fee schedule, download the Executive Office of Health and Human Services regulations from [www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-32200-durable-medical-equipment-oxygen-and-respiratory-therapy-equipment](http://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-32200-durable-medical-equipment-oxygen-and-respiratory-therapy-equipment). The regulation for durable medical equipment, oxygen and respiratory equipment is 101 CMR 322.00.

## MassHealth Website

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## New Material

The pages listed here contain new or revised language.

### Oxygen and Respiratory Therapy Equipment Manual

Pages vi and 6-1 through 6-2

## Obsolete Material

The pages listed here are no longer in effect.

### Oxygen and Respiratory Therapy Equipment Manual

Pages vi, and 6-1 through 6-2—transmitted by Transmittal Letter OXY-36

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MassHealth pays for the services for codes listed in section 602 in effect at the time of service, subject to all conditions and limitations in MassHealth regulations at 130 CMR 427.000 and 450.000. In addition, a provider may request prior authorization (PA) for any medically necessary oxygen and respiratory therapy equipment or supplies. Providers should consult Transmittal Letter OXY-33 for the specific effective dates of service for the service codes.

Providers should refer to the *MassHealth DME and Oxygen Payment and Coverage Guidelines Tool* for service descriptions, applicable modifiers, place-of-service codes, PA requirements, service limits, and pricing and markup information. For certain services that are payable on an individual consideration (I.C.) basis, the tool can calculate the payable amount, based on information entered into certain fields on the tool.

The *MassHealth DME and Oxygen Payment and Coverage Guidelines Tool* is on the MassHealth website at [www.mass.gov/service-details/masshealth-payment-and-coverage-guideline-tools](http://www.mass.gov/service-details/masshealth-payment-and-coverage-guideline-tools).

602 Service Codes

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