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Medical-Surgical Vendor Requirement Updates

AADL will be updating requirements for vendors providing Medical Surgical Benefits. These changes will come into effect July 1, 2017 and are outlined below.

Incontinence Supply Product Selection

- ◆ Vendors of incontinence supplies (diapers and liners) must provide AADL clients products with brands and item numbers <u>confirmed by AADL</u> to meet published absorbency requirements.
- ◆ AADL is developing the Confirmed Incontinence Product List that will be published on the AADL website on July 1, 2017. In the meantime, vendors can refer to the Incontinence Product Example List currently on the website for examples of existing products that meet the criteria. The list will be updated regularly and vendors may submit products for consideration.

Manufacturer Product Training

- Vendors must employ at least one full-time staff member who has completed manufacturer product training for each line of products provided.
- ◆ Manufacturer product training must be refreshed every 3 years.
- ♦ Vendors must keep documentation of training on file and provide copies to AADL on request.
- ◆ Training documentation must be provided in writing by the manufacturer, and must include date completed, range of products covered and employee name(s).
- ◆ Please note, specific training for Dressing Supplies is not required at this time.

Agreement Checklists

- As part of the agreement renewal process, vendors will be asked to complete a checklist to confirm they meet AADL requirements.
- Vendors of incontinence supplies (diapers and liners) will be asked to identify at least two brands and item numbers of diapers and liners they currently provide.
- Vendors of incontinence supplies (diapers and liners) may be contacted for more information if the products they carry are not on the Incontinence Product Example List which is currently published on the AADL website.

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AADL is committed to working with vendors to ensure the updated requirements are clear and there is reasonable opportunity to meet them. Current vendors who cannot meet the updated requirements by July 1, 2017 may request an extension up to December 31, 2017.

Alberta Aids to Daily Living is holding a Question and Answer Session for AADL Medical-Surgical Vendors on May 9, 2017 at 1:30 pm. To register for this session, contact Andrea at andrea.waywanko@gov.ab.ca. Please include your vendor number. Participants will be sent call-in information prior to the session.