

Attention Authorizers and Vendors/Specialty Suppliers of Dressing Supplies and Breast Prosthesis Benefits

Notice of Change to Funding of Dressing Supplies

Effective September 1, 2017 AADL removed dressing supplies from the Approved Product List.

AADL's Approved Product List was limited and did not include many of the products that are currently used for wound care. Support for the provision of supplies may be available through homecare, wound care clinics, or private insurance.

AADL will continue to provide funding for existing clients who have active authorizations for dressing supplies until their authorizations expire.

Notice of Change to Breast Prosthesis Policy and Procedures

Effective November 1, 2017 AADL will be updating the staff training requirements for specialty suppliers who provide breast prosthesis benefits. As of November 1, 2017, the following requirements will apply:

- ◆ Specialty Suppliers must employ at least one full-time staff member who has completed manufacturer product training for each line of products provided to AADL clients. Previously it was not specified that the fitter needed to be a full time employee.

Please note that:

- ◆ Manufacturer product training must be refreshed every three years.
- ◆ Specialty Suppliers must provide documentation of training to AADL and maintain original training documentation on file. The documentation must include the date training was completed, range of product covered and employee name(s).
- ◆ A certified fitter must perform the fitting. A certified fitter is a person who holds a current certification in at least two different manufacturers' breast prosthesis fitter courses.
- ◆ E-Business User ID's are assigned to a Specific Assessor and are not to be divulged or shared.

If you have questions, please contact the AADL Program Manager, Lori Harmon, at lori.harmon@gov.ab.ca.

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Agreement Checklists

- ◆ As part of the agreement renewal process, Speciality Suppliers will be asked to complete a checklist to confirm they meet AADL requirements.
- ◆ AADL is committed to working with Specialty Suppliers to ensure the requirements are clear and there is a reasonable opportunity to meet them. Current Specialty Suppliers who are not meeting these requirements by November 1, 2017 may request an extension to April 30, 2018.
- ◆ AADL will be randomly auditing for compliance.

