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Re: Prosthetic Device Definition Change

After the Department met with the Ohio Optometric Association (OOA) in February, we identified information that OOA may find helpful in understanding the application of the exemption to eyeglasses and contact lenses that applies to sales occurring on or after July 1, 2019.

Statutes at Issue

For OOA's convenience, the Department pulled together the relevant portions of the sales tax statute addressing the exemption for eyeglasses below. Generally speaking, all sales of tangible personal property are subject to Ohio's sales tax unless specifically exempt. R.C. 5739.02 governs sales tax exemptions and includes:

R.C. 5739.02(B)(19) Sales of *prosthetic devices*, durable medical equipment for home use, or mobility enhancing equipment, *when made pursuant to a prescription* and when such devices or equipment are for use by a human being.

R.C. 5739.01 contains definitions of terms used throughout the sales tax chapter. The term "prosthetic device" is defined as:

R.C. 5739.01(JJJ) "Prosthetic device" means a replacement, corrective, or supportive device, including repair and replacement parts for the device, worn on or in the human body to artificially replace a missing portion of the body, prevent or correct physical deformity or malfunction, or support a weak or deformed portion of the body. As used in this division, before July 1, 2019, "prosthetic device" does not include corrective eyeglasses, contact lenses, or dental prosthesis. *On or after July 1, 2019, "prosthetic device" does not include dental prosthesis but does include corrective eyeglasses or contact lenses.*

Because the exemption in R.C. 5739.02 requires that a prosthetic device (defined, as of July 1, 2019, to include eyeglasses or contact lenses in R.C. 5739.01(JJJ)) must be issued pursuant to a prescription, the term "prescription" is defined as:

(GGG) "Prescription" means an order, formula, or recipe issued in any form of oral, written, electronic, or other means of transmission by a duly licensed practitioner authorized by the laws of this state to issue a prescription.

The term eyeglasses are not defined by the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement or the Ohio Revised Code. However, the term would generally include the lenses worn to aid vision as well as the corresponding frames.

Exemption Certificates:

Any person claiming an exemption from sales tax for sales of prosthetic devices must complete an exemption certificate as required by R.C. 5739.03(B)(1). So, to the extent a vendor or seller of corrective eyeglasses or contact lenses does not solicit a customer to file a blanket exemption certificate to alleviate the responsibility of determining the actual liability of the consumer, this provision will continue to protect the vendor or seller of corrective eyeglasses or contact lenses.

Additionally, the upon audit, the Department will make reasonable attempts to work with the vendor or seller to determine taxability, regardless of the exemption certificate. To the extent that a vendor or seller of corrective eyeglasses or contact lenses can identify on the invoice that the sale of corrective eyeglasses or contact lenses is pursuant to a prescription the sale will meet the requirements of R.C. 5739.02(B)(19).

Questions and Answers:

Q: If there is a sale of frames and lenses together on the same invoice, are both items exempt?

A: If the items can be easily identified as a sale pursuant to a prescription, both items sold together are exempt.

Q: If there is a sale of frames only, are the frames taxable?

A: Unless there is a fully-completed exemption certificate on file for the frames or there is evidence that the sale of the frames is a repair or replacement part for previously-exempted corrective eyeglasses, the sale of frames separately is taxable.

Q: If there is a sale of lenses only, are the lenses taxable?

A: If the lenses can be easily identified as a sale pursuant to a prescription, the sale of lenses is considered exempt.

Q: Are "readers" subject to sales tax?

A: Nonprescription "readers" are always taxable unless another exemption would apply. However, the Department would require a fully-completed exemption certificate associated with the sale of this nonprescription item to show the alternative exemption.

Q: Are repair and replacement parts to eyeglasses exempt?

A: Repair and replacement parts of corrective eyeglasses that previously met the exemption are also considered exempt.

Q: Are contact lenses that change the color of the eye considered exempt?

A: If the lenses can be easily identified as a sale pursuant to a prescription, the sale of lenses is considered exempt.

Q: Do I have to get an exemption certificate for each sale of corrective eyeglasses or contact lenses purchased pursuant to a prescription?

A: Ideally, the receipt of the exemption certificate would provide the most protection for the vendor. However, if your records provide clear evidence that the sale of the corrective eyeglasses or contact lenses was issued pursuant to a prescription, the Department would consider those sales exempt.

Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



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ST 2010-03 - Sales and Use Tax: Drugs, Durable Medical Equipment, Mobility Enhancing Equipment, and Prosthetic Devices – Issued September 2010; Revised May 2019.¹

As part of its participation in the Streamlined Sales Tax effort, Ohio has adopted the uniform definitions approved by the Streamlined Sales Tax Governing Board dealing with drugs and various types of medical equipment. These definitions are set out below. This information release is being updated to reflect a change made in Am. Sub. S.B. 8 of the 132nd General Assembly, which amended the definition of “prosthetic device” effective July 1, 2019. This change results in the exemption of the sale of corrective eyeglasses and contact lenses pursuant to a prescription from sales and use tax on or after that date.

Ohio Revised Code (R.C.) section 5739.01(FFF):

“Drug” means a compound, substance, or preparation, and any component of a compound, substance, or preparation, other than food, dietary supplements, or alcoholic beverages that is recognized in the official United States pharmacopoeia, official homeopathic pharmacopoeia of the United States, or official national formulary, and supplements to them; is intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease; or is intended to affect the structure or any function of the body.

R.C. 5739.01(GGG):

“Prescription” means an order, formula, or recipe issued in any form of oral, written, electronic, or other means of transmission by a duly licensed practitioner authorized by the laws of this state to issue a prescription.

R.C. 5739.01(HHH):

“Durable medical equipment” means equipment, including repair and replacement parts for such equipment, that can withstand repeated use, is primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose, generally is not useful to a person in the absence of illness or injury, and is not worn in or on the body. “Durable medical equipment” does not include mobility enhancing equipment.

R.C. 5739.01(III):

“Mobility enhancing equipment” means equipment, including repair and replacement parts for such equipment, that is primarily and customarily used to provide or increase the ability to move from one place to another and is appropriate for use either in a home or a motor vehicle, that is not generally used by persons with normal mobility, and that does not include any motor vehicle or equipment on a motor vehicle normally provided by a motor vehicle manufacturer. “Mobility enhancing equipment” does not include durable medical equipment.

¹ As with all information releases of the Tax Commissioner, this document serves to communicate with taxpayers how the Department will administer Ohio taxes mandated by the Ohio Revised Code or relevant statutory changes. No information release has any force or effect of law.

R.C. 5739.01(JJJ):

"Prosthetic device" means a replacement, corrective, or supportive device, including repair and replacement parts for the device, worn on or in the human body to artificially replace a missing portion of the body, prevent or correct physical deformity or malfunction, or support a weak or deformed portion of the body. As used in this division, before July 1, 2019, "prosthetic device" does not include corrective eyeglasses, contact lenses, or dental prosthesis. On or after July 1, 2019, "prosthetic device" does not include dental prosthesis but does include corrective eyeglasses or contact lenses.

The attached chart and addendum (in PDF format), which is not an all-inclusive list of all products within each defined term, is the placement of the listed products, either as within the healthcare terms defined above or as not included in those definitions. Where a product is not included in the attached list, the Department of Taxation will use the list as guidance for application of the above definitions to any such product.

There are exemptions for these various types of medical items found in R.C. 5739.02(B)(18) and (19). These sections provide exemption for:

- (18) Sales of drugs for a human being that may be dispensed only pursuant to a prescription; insulin as recognized in the official United States pharmacopoeia; urine and blood testing materials when used by diabetics or persons with hypoglycemia to test for glucose or acetone; hypodermic syringes and needles when used by diabetics for insulin injections; epoetin alfa when purchased for use in the treatment of persons with medical disease; hospital beds when purchased by hospitals, nursing homes, or other medical facilities; and medical oxygen and medical oxygen-dispensing equipment when purchased by hospitals, nursing homes, or other medical facilities;
- (19) Sales of prosthetic devices, durable medical equipment for home use, or mobility enhancing equipment, when made pursuant to a prescription and when such devices or equipment are for use by a human being.

5739.02(B)(18) - Drugs

"(D)rugs for a human being that may be dispensed only pursuant to a prescription" are entitled to exemption from Ohio sales or use tax. This exemption is not limited to sales to an end consumer. Thus, purchases by a physician or medical facility of drugs that can be dispensed or administered to patients on the order or a licensed practitioner are entitled to exemption. However, over-the-counter medications that can be obtained without an order from a licensed practitioner are not entitled to exemption.

For purposes of R.C. 5739.01(GGG) and R.C. 5739.02(B)(18) and (19), a "prescription" is any order, whether in written, oral, electronic or other form, that is "issued *** by a duly licensed practitioner authorized by the laws of this state to issue a prescription." R.C. 4729.01(I) identifies those persons authorized by law to issue prescriptions as:

(I) "Licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs" or "prescriber" means an individual who is authorized by law to prescribe drugs or dangerous drugs or drug therapy related devices in the course of the individual's professional practice, including only the following:

- (1) A dentist licensed under Chapter 4715. of the Revised Code;
- (2) A clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner who holds a certificate to prescribe issued under section 4723.48 of the Revised Code;
- (3) An optometrist licensed under Chapter 4725. of the Revised Code to practice optometry under a therapeutic pharmaceutical agents certificate;
- (4) A physician authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or podiatry;
- (5) A physician assistant who holds a certificate to prescribe issued under Chapter 4730. of the Revised Code;
- (6) A veterinarian licensed under Chapter 4741. of the Revised Code.

Note, of course, that a veterinarian cannot prescribe medications for a human being.

Example 1 – A pharmacist receives a call from a physician's office ordering a medication for a patient. The medication is one that cannot be dispensed by the pharmacist without a prescription. The pharmacist fills the order and dispenses the medication to the patient. The sale to the patient is exempt from Ohio sales or use tax.

Example 2 – A doctor prescribes an over-the-counter medication for a patient and writes the name of the medication on a prescription pad. The patient goes to a local pharmacy to obtain the medication. The patient finds the medication and purchases it. This transaction is taxable since the medication in question is not one that can only be dispensed pursuant to a prescription.

Example 3 – A dentist orders a case of an anesthetic that the dentist will administer to patients when performing certain procedures. The anesthetic is a medication that cannot be dispensed or administered except by a licensed practitioner. The dentist's purchase of the anesthetic is exempt.

Example 4 – A pharmacist fills a prescription issued by a veterinarian for a medication for a customer's pet cat. Since the drug is not for a human being, the sale is subject to Ohio tax.

R.C. 5739.02(B)(18) – Other exemptions

R.C. 5739.02(B)(18) provides exemption for:

Sales of *** insulin as recognized in the official United States pharmacopoeia; urine and blood testing materials when used by diabetics or persons with hypoglycemia to test for glucose or

acetone; hypodermic syringes and needles when used by diabetics for insulin injections; epoetin alfa when purchased for use in the treatment of persons with medical disease (.)

The same section provides exemption for:

Sales of *** hospital beds when purchased by hospitals, nursing homes, or other medical facilities; and medical oxygen and medical oxygen-dispensing equipment when purchased by hospitals, nursing homes, or other medical facilities (.)

Generally, hospital beds and medical oxygen dispensing equipment purchased by individuals would be durable medical equipment for home use addressed under R.C. 5739.02(B)(19). An individual's purchase of medical oxygen pursuant to a prescription would be exempt as the purchase of a drug that can only be sold pursuant to a prescription. This section grants exemption for purchases of these items by hospitals, nursing homes and other medical facilities.

R.C. 5739.02(B)(19) – Durable Medical Equipment

The exemption for durable medical equipment, as defined in R.C. 5739.01(HHH), has three preconditions. First, the durable medical equipment must be for home use. While the term "home use" is not defined, the use of the term in the statute clearly indicates that sales of durable medical equipment to a hospital, physician's office, nursing home or other medical facility for use in providing medical services does not qualify for exemption under this provision. Of course, some hospitals or medical facilities may qualify for exemption under another provision of the Revised Code. For example, a charitable hospital could claim exemption under the provisions of R.C. 5739.02(B)(12).

The second limitation is that the durable medical equipment must be sold pursuant to a prescription in order to be exempt. As noted above, a prescription may be issued by any form of transmission (e.g., oral, written, electronic). A vendor or seller of durable medical equipment must retain evidence of a prescription in any transaction where tax is not collected. The evidence may be any record of the prescription and could include a copy of a written prescription or contemporaneous notes taken of an oral prescription provided by a medical practitioner. In cases where the seller receives payment for durable medical equipment from a private or governmental insurance company, the Department will consider evidence of the insurance payment as sufficient proof that the sale was made pursuant to a prescription.

The third limitation is that the durable medical equipment be for a human being. No exemption will be allowed under R.C. 5739.02(B)(19) for sales of durable medical equipment used in the care or treatment of animals, even if prescribed for the animal.

R.C. 5739.02(B)(19) - Mobility Enhancing Equipment

Like durable medical equipment, mobility enhancing equipment is exempt under R.C. 5739.02(B)(19) when it is sold pursuant to a prescription and for use by a human being. While mobility enhancing equipment could frequently fit the definition of durable medical equipment, R.C. 5739.01(HHH) and (III) specifically provide that

the two terms are mutually exclusive. Thus, if an item qualifies as mobility enhancing equipment, it is not considered durable medical equipment.

To constitute mobility enhancing equipment, the equipment must be “appropriate for use either in a home or a motor vehicle.” Items designed for commercial or institutional use may not qualify for exemption under R.C. 5739.02(B)(19).

The exemption for mobility enhancing equipment does not include items that are incorporated into real property. Thus, R.C. 5739.02(B)(19) does not provide exemption for materials used to build permanent wheelchair ramps or to railings or bars that become incorporated into a home and lost their status as tangible personal property.

Many items that are used to modify a motor vehicle for use by persons with physical impairments are considered mobility enhancing equipment. However, mobility enhancing equipment does not include a motor vehicle, itself, or any equipment normally provided by a motor vehicle manufacturer. Essentially, the exemption applies to customizations of motor vehicles in order to accommodate the needs of the impaired individual.

Example – A wheelchair-bound individual purchases a motor vehicle from a motor vehicle dealer. The purchaser has the vehicle taken to another vendor that installs a wheelchair lift and makes other modifications to the vehicle so that it is usable by the purchaser. The purchaser has a prescription from a physician for the vehicle modifications. The sale of the vehicle from the dealer is taxable. The sale and installation of the modifications are exempt under R.C. 5739.02(B)(19).

R.C. 5739.02(B)(19) – Prosthetic Devices

The exemption provided by R.C. 5739.02(B)(19) for prosthetic devices contains two basic limitations: (1) the items must be sold pursuant to a prescription; and (2) the items must be for use by a human being.

A prosthetic device need not be a permanent replacement or supportive device. For example, a catheter to support the process of urination during a patient’s hospital stay would be a prosthetic device. Another example would be a sling to immobilize a patient’s arm during the recovery from a shoulder injury. However, it is important to note that both of these items must have been dispensed pursuant to a prescription in order to qualify for the exemption.

A purchase of a prosthetic device by a physician or by a hospital or medical facility on the order of a physician for the treatment of a designated patient is exempt as being purchased pursuant to a prescription. Purchases by a hospital or medical facility of items to be maintained in inventory are not made pursuant to a prescription, even though the items may otherwise qualify as prosthetic devices. However, if such prosthetic devices are ordered for a patient by his or her physician and separately itemized and billed to that patient or an insurance carrier, the device would be considered to be a sale pursuant to a prescription. The hospital or medical facility would be able to purchase such items exempt as items for resale.

Application of Other Exemptions

In any case where an exemption for durable medical equipment, mobility enhancing equipment, or a prosthetic device is claimed for a statutory reason other than the exemption provided by R.C. 5739.02(B)(19), the vendor or seller must obtain a fully-completed exemption certificate from the consumer. Failure to obtain such a certificate could subject the vendor or seller to liability on audit for uncollected taxes.

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| Item | Description of Item | Workgroup |
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| Abdominal belts | An abdominal belt is a brace which places intra-abdominal pressure on the erector spinae and trunk muscles. The belts stiffen the trunk muscles and stabilize the lumbar spine. | Prosthetic device |
| Abdominal binders and supports | An elastic and Velcro garment that wraps around the abdomen and provides compression in the upper and lower abdomen. Binders are commonly prescribed for patients who have undergone surgery in the abdomen area. Binders provide support to surgical areas, improve blood circulation, minimize swelling after a surgical procedure, flushes the body out of potentially harmful liquids, accelerates the healing process. | Prosthetic device |
| Abduction, cervical, and orthodic pillows | | Durable medical equipment |
| Access Ports | Port-a-cath | Prosthetic device |
| Acetabular cups | An acetabular cup is the part of a hip implant that forms the socket in the ball-and-socket structure of the hip joint. | Prosthetic device |
| Air purifier | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Anesthesia machines | | Durable medical equipment |
| Anesthesia Ventilators | The anesthesia ventilators are used to ventilate the lungs by mechanically inflating and deflating the lungs during surgery to aid the patient to breath during surgery. The ventilation of the lungs is the primary function of the device. The secondary function is to push through the patient's blood. These machines permit the patient to breathe when one is incapable of doing so on one's own. The device can be built into an anesthesia machine, or it can stand alone. | Durable medical equipment |
| Ankle brace | | Prosthetic device |
| Anti-embolism stocking | Anti-embolism stockings are designed specifically for patients to help prevent blood from pooling in the veins of the leg. Pooling of blood in the veins of the leg may contribute to blood clots forming in the veins. | Prosthetic device |

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| Anti-Thrombolytic Pumps | | Durable medical equipment |
| Apnea monitors | | Durable medical equipment |
| Aqua K pumps and pads | Therapeutic heating or cooling pads or compresses or packs | Durable medical equipment |
| Arch supports | A pad worn in shoes to help support the foot arch. Arch supports are prescribed for patients whose own arches do not provide enough natural support to function properly. Use of arch supports can alleviate pain and lead to proper foot function. | Prosthetic device |
| Artificial eyes | | Prosthetic device |
| Artificial heart valves | | Prosthetic device |
| Artificial larynx | | Prosthetic device |
| Artificial limbs | | Prosthetic device |
| Atrial valves | | Prosthetic device |
| Audiology equipment - Diagnostic | Audiometers, Acoustic impedance meter/bridge | Durable medical equipment |
| Automatic external defibrillator | Portable AED's and cables | Durable medical equipment |
| Autotransfusion equipment | | Durable medical equipment |
| Back braces | | Prosthetic device |
| Bath aid - raised toilet seat | | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Bath aid - tub and shower stool | | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Bed - kodel pad | Bed pad made from kodel polyester and used on beds to help decrease pressure on the skin. Kodel pads are prescribed for patients with limited mobility and help prevent open sores in bed bound individuals. The pads are machine washable (reusable) but are limited to a single patient due to difficulty in sterilization for others. | Durable medical equipment |
| Bed pads - Disposable - for incontinent patients | Disposable pad placed on beds to keep sheets dry and wick moisture away from the patient. Used for incontinent patients. | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |

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| Bed pull-up T | Bed pull-up is a rope with a handle attached to the base of the bed. The handicapped individual holds the handles to help pull himself to a sitting position or lower himself to recline. This includes Trapeze bars. | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Beds - Alternating pressure pads | To eliminate bed sores | Durable medical equipment |
| Beds - Incubators/Isolettes | | Durable medical equipment |
| Beds - Blanket Cradle | A blanket cradle is a steel device that fits under the mattress and is used to lift the bed sheets and blankets off the bed so that the patient is able to remain warm without bearing the weight of the sheets and blankets. Cradles are prescribed for patients with painful wound or broken bones. | Durable medical equipment |
| Beds - Hospital beds - bassinets | A bed used by a medical facility for infants who are too small for a hospital bed | Durable medical equipment |
| Beds - Hospital beds - Beds & accessories/repair parts | A single bed with a frame in 3 sections so the head middle or foot can be raised as required | Durable medical equipment |
| Beds - Specialty care | | Durable medical equipment |
| Billie lights | Equipment to treat jaundice | Durable medical equipment |
| Birth control - IUD | Two types of IUDs are available in the United States. The copper IUD (ParaGard®) causes a change in uterine and tubal fluids so that the egg does not get fertilized. The Progestin IUS (Mirena®) has a hormonal method of action: the cervical mucus thickens, preventing the sperm from getting into the uterus and reaching the egg. 21 CFR Ch. I 310.502 (8) Intrauterine device for human use for the purposes of contraception that incorporate heavy metals, drugs, or other active substances. | Drug |
| Birth control (pills and implants) | | Drug |
| Blankets - other than baby receiving blankets | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Blood pressure equipment - Diagnostic | Sphygmometer, Cuffs, Bulbs | Durable medical equipment |
| Bone Cement & Wax | | Prosthetic device |

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| Bone Growth Stimulator - External - Not Worn | | Durable medical equipment |
| Bone Growth Stimulator - External - Worn | | Prosthetic device |
| Bone Growth Stimulator - Implanted | Stimulator - Bone Implanted or fixated items | Prosthetic device |
| Bone Pins, Plates, Nails, Screws | The item appear to normally be used to brace, support, or align the skeletal or muscular system. | Prosthetic device |
| Braces | | Prosthetic device |
| Breast implants | Breast prosthesis "corrective or support device." | Prosthetic device |
| Breast prosthesis - external | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Breast pumps | | Durable medical equipment |
| C.P.A.P. - Not Worn | C.P.A.P "continuous positive pressure on the airway, used to correct obstructive sleep apnea". | Prosthetic device |
| C.P.A.P. - Worn | C.P.A.P "continuous positive pressure on the airway, used to correct obstructive sleep apnea". | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Canes | | Durable medical equipment |
| Cardiology equipment - Diagnostic | EKG, 2Equipment - Diagnostic - - Holter Monitor | Durable medical equipment |
| Cardiopulmonary Bypass Machine | Also known as perfusion equipment, heart lung machine, bypass machine | Durable medical equipment |
| Casts & Casting materials | Plaster, casting tapes, resins, fiberglass, silicone, splints, stockinette, cast boots and shoes | Prosthetic device |
| Catheters | PICC line; Hickman, Broviac | Prosthetic device |
| Cauterization equipment | Bovie | Durable medical equipment |
| Cervical collars | | Prosthetic device |
| Chair scales | | Durable medical equipment |

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| Closed caption devices | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Cochlear Implant | A cochlear implant bypasses the damaged part of the ear and sends sound directly to the auditory (hearing) nerve. It is different from a hearing aid in that it doesn't make sounds louder. | Prosthetic device |
| Cofflator | Artificial inhalation equipment | Durable medical equipment |
| Cold packs and Hot packs (reusable) | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Collagen implants | Collagen-based implants and injectables fill in the area where collagen is deficient or depleted and causes regeneration by permitting granulation and vascularization of body tissue that is defective, diseased, traumatized or otherwise aged. In effect, collagen functions as the key structural element in the regeneration of body tissue in alleviating deformity and in wound management. | Prosthetic device |
| Collection bags - Body fluid collection | For collection and sending to lab for testing | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Collection basins | Urinals - Urine containers / Bedpans / Emesis Basins | Durable medical equipment |
| Commodes | Versatile model serves as toilet safety frame, raised toilet seat, or stationary commode for use outside the bathroom. Features snap-on seat and lid, splash shield, removable backrest with wing nuts, nonskid rubber tips, and armrests for added comfort. | Durable medical equipment |
| Contact lens solutions | | OTC Drug |
| Contact lenses | | Prosthetic device |
| Continuous Passive Motion Devices | Continuous Passive Motion (CPM) devices are a controlled treatment modality used to provide early, gentle motion of the upper or lower limb following a surgical procedure. CPM machines are commonly prescribed for patients who have undergone knee, shoulder or hip replacement surgeries as well as other joint surgeries. | Durable medical equipment |
| Contraceptives | Creams, foams, and jellies, medicated condoms | OTC Drug |

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| Corrective eyeglasses (non prescription) | | Prosthetic device |
| Cotton Swabs - Medicated - OTC | Non Legend Drug | OTC Drug |
| Cotton Swabs - Medicated - RX | Legend Drug | Drug |
| Crash carts - Stocked Crutches | Braslow carts, Resuscitation carts | Durable medical equipment Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Defibrillator & Leads - Implanted | Sends electric signals to a heart that's beating to slow, same as a pacemaker. It can also deliver an electric shock to help restore a normal heartbeat to a heart that's beating chaotically and too fast. Cardiac defibrillation is a way to return an abnormal heartbeat to normal. | Prosthetic device |
| Denture adhesive | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Denture cleaners | | Grooming & Hygiene |
| Dermal fillers - Injectables | Dermal fillers are prescription-only injectable substance comprised of collagen (human or bovine) or hyaluronic acid that are used to treat a variety of skin contour defects, as well as stress urinary incontinence, facial lipotrophy (loss of subcutaneous fat) resulting from disease and perleche, a condition where deep cracks and splits form at the corners of the mouth that can bleed when the mouth is opened. Collagen is a protein that appears throughout the body in skin, connective tissue, cartilage and bone. Hyaluronic acid is a polysaccharide (a form of complex carbohydrate) that is found in many tissues of the body such as skin, cartilage, and the vitreous humor (center of the eyeball). | Drug |
| Dialysis Bags - Peritoneal Dialysis Drain | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Dialysis Catheters - Hemodialysis | | Prosthetic device |
| Dialysis Catheters - Peritoneal | | Prosthetic device |

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| Dialysis Dialysate Solution | | Drug |
| Dialyzers - Single Patient - Multiple Use | A dialyzer is an artificial kidney designed to provide controllable transfer of solutes and water across a semi permeable membrane separating flowing blood and dialysate streams. The transfer processes are diffusion (dialysis) and convection (ultrafiltration). There are three basic dialyzer designs: coil, parallel plate, and hollow fiber configurations. Filter that is incorporated in machine | Durable medical equipment |
| Dialyzers - Single Use | A dialyzer is an artificial kidney designed to provide controllable transfer of solutes and water across a semi permeable membrane separating flowing blood and dialysate streams. The transfer processes are diffusion (dialysis) and convection (ultrafiltration). There are three basic dialyzer designs: coil, parallel plate, and hollow fiber configurations. Filter that is incorporated in machine | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Diapers - Adults | Incontinence | Clothing |
| Diapers - Infant | | Clothing |
| Drainage catheters | Hollow tubes that are temporarily placed in the patient to eliminate fluid. | Prosthetic device |
| Drainage catheters - Urinary | Foleys | Prosthetic device |
| Drainage drains | Pentose | Prosthetic device |
| Drainage shunts | | Prosthetic device |
| Dressings - Compression - Non Medicated | Ace Bandages | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Dressings - Elastic - Non Medicated | Non-Ace bandages to hold dressings | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Dressings - Gauze Wraps | Tube gauze, Gauze Wraps | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Dressings - General | Pads, sponges, tapes and adhesents, elastic, compression, gauze | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Dressings - Medicated - OTC | Elastic, Compression, Gauze Wraps | OTC Drug |
| Dressings - Medicated - RX | Elastic, Compression, Gauze Wraps | Drug |

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| Dressings - Non-Medicated | Dressings containing a substance which is neither a RX or OTC drug | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Dressings - Wound Care - Skin Barrier Products | Sprays, cream | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Drugs - Contrast media | Visipaque, radiopaques | Drug |
| Drugs - Over-the-counter | Benadryl, Aspirin, Betadine | OTC Drug |
| Drugs - Prescription (Legend) | Federal legend drugs including biologicals | Drug |
| Drugs - Radioactive isotopes | Implanted seeds | Drug |
| Drugs - Solutions - Ad Mixture | Sterile Water - 1cc, 5cc, 10cc vials, Sterile Normal Saline (.9%) - 1cc, 5cc, 10cc vials | Drug |
| Drugs - Solutions - Irrigation | Sterile Water, Sterile Normal Saline (.9%) - in larger volumes such as liter bottles, or large volume infusion bags | Drug |
| Drugs - Solutions - IV | Does not include tubings, administration sets, needles, etc., Normal Salines - .9%, .Equipment - Diagnostic - 5%, .33%, D5W, etc. | Drug |
| Ear, Nose & Throat implants | Any item that is implanted in the ear, nose or throat. | Prosthetic device |
| Eating utensils - Adjustable | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| ECG Monitor - Implanted | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| EEG | | Durable medical equipment |
| Enteral - Feeding Bags - Disposable | Enteral bags are sold separately from the food and are used for individuals who are fed enteral formula either through a tube or catheter. The bags are used generally for up to a 24 hour period which will encompass numerous feedings and are then disposed. | Durable medical equipment |
| Enteral - Feeding Connectors | Locks, Clamps, Connectors | Durable medical equipment |
| Enteral - Feeding Tubing | Nasal - The tubing may be used for several days and connects the pump to the patient's entry site. | Durable medical equipment |

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| Enteral Nutrition | Nutritional formulas - Including drug facts box | OTC Drug |
| Enteral Nutrition | Nutritional formulas - No drug facts box | Food |
| Enteral pumps and I.V. Stands | Enteral pumps and I.V. stands are items used to administer nutrition given to the patient through a tube that is inserted into the stomach or the small intestine. | Durable medical equipment |
| Exam tables | | Durable medical equipment |
| Eyeglasses (prescription) | | Prosthetic device |
| Feeding Catheters | | Prosthetic device |
| Feeding Plugs | The plug is used to prevent accidental disconnection of the pump from the stomach tube (G tube). The plug is reusable by the patient but is not used for others. | Durable medical equipment |
| Feeding Systems - See Breakdown below | Total Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition Systems | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Fever thermometers - Disposable/SPU | | Durable medical equipment |
| Fever thermometers - Reusable | Thermometers, related parts | Bundling Determination |
| First aid products and kits | | |
| Foley catheter | The Foley catheter is an indwelling urinary catheter retained in the bladder by a balloon inflated with air or liquid. Separate lumens are incorporated within the round shaft of the catheter for drainage of urine, inflation, and introduction of irrigating solutions into the Bladder. | Prosthetic device |
| Gases - Medical Grade | Air, Carbon Dioxide, Helium, Nitrogen, Oxygen | Drug |
| Gases - Medical grade - Nitrous Oxide | | Drug |
| Gases - Medical grade - Oxygen | | Drug |
| Gases - Non-Medical Grade | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |

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| Gases - Tanks for | Empty - Tanks only | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Gastric Bands | Gastric bands are used to correct morbid obesity in patients that are generally unable to regulate their caloric intake. They are prescription-only implanted devices that are placed around the top portion of the stomach via a minimally invasive "keyhole" or laparoscopic surgical procedure. The placement of the band creates a small pouch at the top of the stomach that holds a volume of approximately 50 milliliters. The pouch fills quickly with food and also slows the passage of partially digested food from the top to the bottom of the stomach. As the upper part of the stomach believes it is "full" or satiated, the message to the brain is that the stomach is full and this sensation of satiation helps the person to eat smaller portions, eat less and therefore lose weight over time. | Prosthetic device |
| Glucose for Insulin Reactions | Tablets, liquid | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Glucose meters | Blood sugar monitor | Durable medical equipment |
| Grafts | Vascular, Dacron | Prosthetic device |
| Handrails & Grab Bars | Hand rails and grab bars "to assist in rising from commode, tub or shower". | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Hands & Feet implants | | Prosthetic device |
| Head halters | | Prosthetic device |
| Hearing aids | Hearing aid batteries are considered parts of hearing aids | Prosthetic device |
| Heat lamps | Medical heat lamps are used to generate heat over a confined and controlled area. Heat lamps are prescribed for patients whose bodies are unable to properly regulate their temperatures (i.e., a premature infant) or patients suffering from disease or illness who benefit from controlled doses of ultra violet radiation. | Durable medical equipment |
| Hip & Knee implants | | Prosthetic device |
| Hydrogen peroxide | | OTC Drug |

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| ICD/Pacemaker Programmer | ICD/Pacemaker Programmer -- Used for implantable device | Durable medical equipment |
| Implanted Expander - Tissue & Breast | Tissue expanders are prescription-only implanted devices that are used to stimulate the growth of new skin. The expander consists of a silicone inflatable balloon implanted in a pocket created beneath the skin. Once inserted into the pocket, the incision is closed with sutures. The expander device includes a small tube and a self-sealing valve, which allows the surgeon to gradually fill the expander percutaneously (through the skin) with saline solution over a period of several weeks or months. While most commonly used in conjunction with breast reconstruction following a mastectomy (cancerous breast removal) procedure, tissue expanders are also used to facilitate replacement of skin that has been compromised due to the presence of certain skin cancers, as well as to repair skin damaged by birth defects, accidents or surgery. In certain instances, the expander remains in the body indefinitely, particularly in the case of certain types of breast reconstruction procedures. | Prosthetic device |
| Infra-red lamps and bulbs | Infrared lamps and bulbs are used for heat therapy, for example to promote wound healing or help reduce muscle spasms. | Durable medical equipment |
| Infuser Bags | Pressure Infuser bags - used to administer intravenous fluids under pressure at any angle to patients in pre-hospital or emergency room settings - Disposable | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Infuser Pumps - Worn | Pressure Infuser pump - used to administer intravenous fluids under pressure at any angle to patients in pre-hospital or emergency room settings. | Prosthetic device |
| Insulin | Regular Insulin - injectable, NPH Insulin - injectable | Drug |
| Insulin pump | Devices worn in or on the body that delivers measured doses of insulin to the uncontrolled diabetic. | Prosthetic device |
| Insulin Pump | | Prosthetic device |

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| Intraaortic balloon pump (IABP) | The IABP is a long tube (catheter) with a collapsed, 8-inch, sausage - shaped plastic balloon at its tip. The catheter is inserted in an artery in your groin. You will be given a shot to numb the area where the tube is inserted, but you will remain awake. | Durable medical equipment |
| Intragastric Balloons | Intragastric balloons are prescription-only implanted devices used to induce weight loss in morbidly obese patients. The balloon device is inserted through the esophagus and into the stomach as part of an endoscopic procedure by using a placement catheter. After positioning the device in the stomach, the balloon is inflated by introducing saline solution through the placement catheter. Once filled, the catheter is removed. The balloon has a self-sealing valve and remains inflated in the stomach. Weight loss is achieved as the balloon displaces a certain volume in the stomach (typically 400 to 700 cc's), to induce the feeling of fullness and support patients in reducing food intake | Prosthetic device |
| Intravenous stands | | Durable medical equipment |
| IV Poles | IV Poles - stretcher, bed, rolling, etc. | Durable medical equipment |
| IV Therapy arm boards-Disposable | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| IV Therapy arm boards-Reusable | | Durable medical equipment |
| IV Therapy Tourniquets - SPU | Disposable | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Kidney dialysis machines and associated parts | Dialysis is a treatment that removes waste and excess fluid from the blood. Hemodialysis circulates blood through the dialyzer (filter) with a machine controlling the function. In Peritoneal Dialysis the abdominal cavity is filled with dialysate which remove waste and then after several hours is drained out. | Durable medical equipment |
| Kinetic Therapy beds | Kinetic Therapy is the continuous side to side rotation of the patient. The Kinetic Therapy beds are designed to address complications associated with immobility which include complications resulting from pulmonary and circulatory problems. | Durable medical equipment |

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| Knee immobilizers | | |
| Laboratory equipment | Microscopes, incubators, refrigerators, centrifuges | Prosthetic device Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Lift chairs and replacement parts | Lift chairs and replacement parts; A lift chair is an electrical chair that raises the person to a standing position and lowers the person from a standing position to a sitting position. This item is used when the handicap individual's natural ability to raise or lower himself is either totally or partially impaired. | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Lithotripters | | Durable medical equipment |
| Mammography equipment - Diagnostic | | Durable medical equipment |
| Mastectomy surgical bra | Device for support after corrective surgery or for support. | Prosthetic device |
| Maxillofacial Devices - Implanted | Maxillofacial Prosthetics is a subspecialty of Prosthodontics. Specifically trained experts seek to correct defects in the maxillofacial area (area of the head, face or jaw), resulting from tumors, cancer surgery, traumatic injuries and birth defects. Prostheses are made of human tissue or artificial materials, and include eyes, ears, noses and special devices to improve speech and swallowing. | Prosthetic device |
| Medical atomizers - Disposable | An atomizer that gives controlled delivery of topical anesthetics and other drugs. Used primarily for nasal or oral drug delivery. This version of atomizers is disposable. | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Medical atomizers - Reusable | An atomizer that gives controlled delivery of topical anesthetics and other drugs. Used primarily for nasal or oral drug delivery. This version of atomizers is reusable. | Durable medical equipment |
| Medical Instruments - Disposable | Clamps, drills, endolinear cutter, forceps, retractors, scalpels, reamers, scissors, trocar | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Medical Instruments - Reusable | Clamps, drills, forceps, retractors, scalpels, reamers, scissors | Durable medical equipment |
| Medical kits, trays, and packs | Bundling issue | Bundling Determination |

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| Membranes implants | Neuro, Spinal, Joint | Prosthetic device |
| Mobility Enhancing Car Seats | Car seats that provide restraint and support systems (five point harnesses) for disabled children who have outgrown standard size child car seats but still need the restraint and support provided by car seats. | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Monitors - Stationary | Remote equipment at nurses station to monitor equipment in patient's rooms. | Durable medical equipment |
| MRI/CT | Non-Ferrous equipment, etc | Durable medical equipment |
| Nasal Strips | Flexible spring like band that fits above the nostrils and lifts the sides of the nose when they try to straighten back to their original shape. | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needleless Drug Delivery System - Injection Guns | Reusable | Durable medical equipment |
| Needleless Drug Delivery System - Injection Guns | Disposable | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles - Wound Closure - Suturing | Disposable | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles & Syringe - Drug Filled | | Bundling Determination |
| Needles & Syringes - Acupuncture needles (Reusable) | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles & Syringes - Needles - Aspirating | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles & Syringes - Needles - Biopsy | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles & Syringes - Needles - Blood Draw/Access | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles & Syringes - Needles - Hypodermic | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |

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| Needles & Syringes - Needles - Hypodermic - Insulin | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles & Syringes - Needles - Not Inject/Drain | Parts to machines | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles & Syringes - Needles/Syr Pckgd Tog | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles & Syringes - Syringe - Cannula Package | Interlink System -- Separate Needle-less infusion device from IV sets - Stand alone items | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles & Syringes - Syringes | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles & Syringes - Syringes - Insulin | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Needles & Syringes - Syringes - Not Inject/Drain | Irrigation (Toomey), oral and ear | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Nerve Stimulators - Implanted with Leads | Stimulator - Nerve & Leads - For pain and nonpain - Used to treat epilepsy, Parkinson, incontinence | Prosthetic device |
| Nerve Stimulators - Programmer | Nerve Stim Programmer & Leads -- Used for implantable device | Durable medical equipment |
| Ocular implants | Intraocular and cataract | Prosthetic device |
| Ophthalmoscopes | For the eye | Durable medical equipment |
| Orbital implants | | Prosthetic device |
| Orthobiologics implants | Processed Human bone | Prosthetic device |
| Orthopedic shoes, shoe lifts, inserts, arch supports, heel protector | | Prosthetic device |
| Ostomy - Adhesives | Cement, liquid adhesive, disc tape, gasket sealer | Prosthetic device |
| Ostomy - Barriers | Barrier wafer, barrier seal ring, barrier protective film, barrier paste, barrier stomahesive | Prosthetic device |
| Ostomy - Barriers | Barrier prep wipes, barrier powder | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |

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| Ostomy - Catheter | Catheter & Catheter leg strap | Prosthetic device |
| Ostomy - Cleaners / Skin Prep | Skin prep peri-wash, ostomy cleanser, cleanser deodorants, adhesive remover | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Ostomy - Collection leg bag & pouches | Leg bags, Drain bags, Pouches | Prosthetic device |
| Ostomy - Drain tube and valve | | Prosthetic device |
| Ostomy - Lubricants | Lubricants, Lubricant jelly, stoma lubricant | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Ostomy - Other | Irrigation set | Durable medical equipment |
| Ostomy - Other | Stoma cap, tubing, belt, hernia belt | Prosthetic device |
| Ostomy Products - See Breakout below: | Colostomy, urostomy, ileostomy, urological | |
| Otoscopes | For the ear | Durable medical equipment |
| Overbed table and tray | | Durable medical equipment |
| Oxygen Delivery -Respiratory Equipment | | Durable medical equipment |
| Oxygen Tents/Bed | | Durable medical equipment |
| Pacemaker | Devices that replace all or part of an internal body organ or replace all or part of the function of a permanently inoperative or malfunctioning internal body organ. | Prosthetic device |
| Pacemaker - Not Implanted - Not Worn | This pacemaker is completely external and is connected to a device which is not worn in or on the body. | Durable medical equipment |
| Pacemaker - Not Implanted - Worn | This pacemaker has leads guided into the heart through an incision in the neck or chest with the external generator worn on the body in a small patch and the device fits in a pocket. | Prosthetic device |
| Pacemaker Transmitter | | Durable medical equipment |
| Pacemakers & Leads | | Prosthetic device |

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| Paraffin wax | Wax used in paraffin baths. Paraffin heat therapy provides moist heat to warm joints tissue and skin. Used in the treatment of arthritis and joint injuries. | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Parenteral - Feeding Bags - Disposable | Parenteral bags are sold separately from the contents and are used for individuals who are unable to consume food through normal means and require nutrition (fluids, fats, vitamins & drugs) being administered by intravenously through an IV pump. The bags are used for up to a 24 hour period and are then disposed. | Durable medical equipment |
| Parenteral - Feeding Connectors | Locks, Clamps, Connectors | Durable medical equipment |
| Parenteral - Feeding Tubing | The tubing may be used for several days and connects the pump to the patient's entry site. | Durable medical equipment |
| Parenteral Nutrition | Nutritional formulas - All on prescription | Drug |
| Parenteral pumps and I.V. Stands | Parenteral pumps and I.V. stands are items used to administer total parenteral nutrition ("TPN") products. TPN is a therapy used by patients who could no longer ingest or digest solid foods. Usually this condition is a result of removal of a large portion of the intestine. TPN products are delivered intravenously. The I.V. stand and pump are necessary for the parenteral nutrition system to work properly. | Durable medical equipment |
| Patient lift | Hydraulic or electric lift used to raise and transfer patient from bed to chair, wheelchair, commode or bathtub. | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Patient positioners | | Durable medical equipment |
| Penile Pump | External vacuum system that restores sexual function in impotent men. System includes a pump and constriction rings. The pump fits over the penis and assists men in achieving erections. Once erection is achieved, a constriction ring is placed on the penis to sustain the erection. | Prosthetic device |
| Percussor | Vibrating machine used to break up tenacious secretions in patients (who are) unable to cough effectively. | Durable medical equipment |
| Physical Therapy -Equipment & Tools | Exerbands, weights, bikes, treadmills, rowers, parallel bars from #212 | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |

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| Platelet separator | Platelet sequestration, cell savers | Durable medical equipment |
| Povidone Iodine (PVP) | | OTC Drug |
| Pressure garments | Edema gloves, mast pants, burn garments | Prosthetic device |
| Pressure reduction therapy beds | <p>Pressure Reduction Therapy is used primarily in the treatment of pressure ulcerations, severe burns, skin grafts and open wounds resulting from massive trauma. These beds provide redistribution of the patient's weight and reduction in surface interface pressures, thereby maintaining proper blood flow. The beds included in this group are comprised of a series of cushions that are fed by a manifold that is attached to a blower or motor that pushes air through the cushions. This treatment also helps to prevent the development of additional pressure ulcerations and helps to provided wound infection control. Patients suffering from long-term immobility suffer from increased pressure between the skin and the support surface on which they are placed. This pressure causes the compression of the patient's tissues between the support surface and the patient's bone resulting in the reduction of blood flow to the affected areas. After a period of time, generally a matter of minutes, toxins and chemical wastes produced by the body's tissues along with oxygen deprivation result in the necrosis or death of the affected tissues.</p> | Durable medical equipment |
| Programmable Drug Infusion Device | Isomed, Syncromed | Prosthetic device |
| Programmable drug infusion pump | IVAC, PCA, Level I infuser | Durable medical equipment |
| Radiology equipment - Diagnostic | X-Ray, Lead shields, lead garments | Durable medical equipment |
| Resp.-Pulse oximetry equipment | Pulse oximeters, blood parameter monitors | Durable medical equipment |
| Respiratory - Nebulizer | | Durable medical equipment |

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| Respiratory Bags - Resuscitation | A flexible air chamber, about the size of an American football, attached to a face mask via a shutter valve. When the air chamber or "bag" is squeezed, the device forces air into the patient's lungs; when the bag is released, it self-inflates, drawing in ambient air. | Durable medical equipment |
| Respiratory equipment | ABG machines, blood gas analyzer | Durable medical equipment |
| Respiratory Equipment - Not Oxygen Delivery | Equipment used in respiratory treatments excluding items used to deliver oxygen; such as sensors; analyzers | Durable medical equipment |
| Respiratory Humidifier | An O2 humidifier is a specialty humidifier which connects to a patients O2 equipment and mixes moist air with the O2. The humidifiers do not work as stand alone equipment and must be connected to O2 equipment. The humidifiers are prescribed for patients suffering from dry nose or throat. Humidifiers add moisture to the air and help relieve dry nose, dry throat, dry skin or lips. Humidifiers may produce cold or hot mists. Humidifiers are commonly prescribed for patients with respiratory illnesses or diseases. | Durable medical equipment |
| Resuscitators - Disposable | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Resuscitators - Reusable | | Durable medical equipment |
| Rubbing Alcohol | | OTC Drug |
| Safety equipment | Goggles, shields | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Salem sump with anti-reflux valve - | The Salem sump is a tube which is inserted in the nose and runs into the stomach. It is primarily used to remove the contents of the stomach. It can also be used to instill liquid food or other substances into the stomach. Filling and emptying the stomach are functions of the body. | Prosthetic device |
| Scooters & Transporters | | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Scopes & Lasers | Endoscope, etc. | Durable medical equipment |
| Seat Cushions - Comfort | General use cushions that do not primarily and customarily serve a medical purpose. | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |

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| Seprafilm | <p>Seprafilm is a unique bioresorbable membrane that serves as a barrier to separate opposing tissue within the body. The use of Seprafilm significantly reduces the incidence, severity, and extent of post-surgical adhesions which are a natural consequence of surgery and lead to serious postoperative complications. Seprafilm is inserted prior to closure of the wound to prevent the adhesion of two surfaces of tissue. Post-surgical adhesions can occur after both open and laparoscopic surgery. They result from the normal process of tissue repair and form when tissue surfaces that are usually separated become united. The complications resulting from adhesion vary depending on the type of surgery involved, and can include bowel obstruction, infertility, and difficulty in reoperative procedures. Due to the serious nature of the complications, it is an important objective to reduce the occurrence of adhesion.</p> | Prosthetic device |
| Shoes - Post operative | | Prosthetic device |
| Shoulder & Elbows implants | | Prosthetic device |
| Sitz bath | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Skin closures | <p>These are called butterfly bandages, steri-strips, cover strips, or suture strips are variations of sterile adhesive skin closures designed to hold the edges of a skin wound together.</p> | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Skin implants - Synthetic | <p>Compression sleeves are prescribed for individuals with swollen limbs. The sleeves compress swollen tissues and stop fluid build up. The compression sleeves also provide support for the muscles so that they pump fluid away from the area more effectively.</p> | Prosthetic device |
| Sling scales | | Durable medical equipment |
| Slings | | Prosthetic device |
| Spas, hot or cold | <p>Spas which are available for sale to the general public and not specifically manufactured for medical purposes.</p> | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |

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| Specialty chairs | Specialty chairs are wheelchairs adapted for specific uses or functions. Examples are all terrain wheelchairs and pool wheelchairs. | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Speech aids - Electronic Worn | Hand-held, non-worn vibrator which is pressed against the neck or face so that vibrations transmit into the airway. | Prosthetic device |
| Speech aids - Electronic Sphincters | | Durable medical equipment |
| Splint & Splint materials | | Prosthetic device |
| Staple Remover - Wound Closure | Disposable | Prosthetic device |
| Stapler - Empty - one Use Only | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Stapler - Empty - Reusable | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Stapler - Preloaded - Non-reloadable | One Use | Durable medical equipment |
| Stapler - Preloaded - Reloadable - SPU | | Bundling Determination |
| Staples, Sutures and Suture Alternatives | Use to hold skin, internal organs, blood vessels and all other tissues of the human body together, after they have been severed by injury or surgery. Example is absorbable hemostat. | Prosthetic device |
| Stent implanted through Endoscopy | A stent is mounted on an angioplasty balloon in order for it to be delivered to the diseased area for deployed. The balloon is inflated, and the stent along with it. When the balloon is deflated and withdrawn, the stent remains in place, serving as a permanent scaffolding for the newly widened artery. | Prosthetic device |
| Stents | Biliary, coronary, urinary and other | Prosthetic device |
| Stents | Maintain the natural opening in the body. It is implanted into the body. | Prosthetic device |
| Sterilizers - Chemical | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Stethoscope | | Durable medical equipment |
| Stirrups | | Durable medical equipment |

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| Stockings - Compression | Used to relieve the discomfort of varicose veins, venous stasis, post sclerotherapy and deep vein thrombosis. | Prosthetic device |
| Stretchers | | Durable medical equipment |
| Stump shrinker | | Prosthetic device |
| Suction Catheter | This catheter is used for the removal of respiratory tract secretions. The catheter is inserted through tracheal and tracheostomy tubes. Four eyes at the catheter's tip serve as vacuum breakers to help prevent tissue from being pulled into the tube. Since suctioning removes the patient's air supply, suction should not exceed 10 seconds duration. Suction catheters are intended for single use only. | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Suction regulators | | Durable medical equipment |
| Surgical Laser Devices | | Durable medical equipment |
| Surgical Mesh implants | Marlex | Prosthetic device |
| Surgical tables | | Durable medical equipment |
| Suspensories | Male suspensories are designed to isolate and support the testicles. Suspensories are used after vasectomies, injuries or in cases of disease. Used to reduce pain and swelling in the scrotum. | Prosthetic device |
| Swivel seats | The swivel seats enables a handicapped person to rotate his/her body, while seated, in order to get into position to rise from a chair. | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Tendon implants | Equipment used to stimulate the muscles to prevent atrophy. This version is not worn. | Prosthetic device |
| Tens units - not worn | | Durable medical equipment |
| Tens units - worn | Equipment used to stimulate the muscles to prevent atrophy. This version is worn. | Prosthetic device |
| Testicular & Penile implants | | Prosthetic device |
| Therapy - Cold | Cold compression | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Therapy - Heat | Heat warmers | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |

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| Tongue depressors | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Tourniquet - Non-Pneumatic | A tourniquet is a tightly tied band applied around a body part (an arm or a leg) sometimes used in an attempt to stop severe traumatic bleeding. These are reusable. | Durable medical equipment |
| Tourniquet - Pneumatic | Broad band of fabric with inflatable bladder, connected on one side to an inflation bulb and the other to a manometer for measuring blood pressure | Durable medical equipment |
| Trachea tubes | | Prosthetic device |
| Tracheostomy Speaking Valve | The speaking valve is a buttonlike piece of equipment that is placed on the outer hub of the tracheostomy tube. The one-way valve opens to let air in through the tracheostomy when the patient inspires. The valve closes during expiration, causing the air to follow the normal route of expiration and permitting speech. | Prosthetic device |
| Traction Devices - on the body | Cervical, pelvic | Prosthetic device |
| Traction equipment | Traction equipment "used for therapy in the treatment of orthopedic diagnosis involving the skeletal system". | Durable medical equipment |
| Transducer gel | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Transfer belts | Belt that fits around waist of patient - to assist in the transfer of patients | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Transfer benches | | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Trusses | | Prosthetic device |
| Ultrasound equipment | Ultrasound Probes, Ultrasound Transducers, Mini dopplers | Durable medical equipment |
| Vaccines | | Drug |
| Vaporizers | | Durable medical equipment |
| Vena Cava Filter | Inserted into a patient's body and becomes a permanent part of the vena cava wall - traps blood clots | Prosthetic device |
| Venous blood sets | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |

Health Care Item List - Appendix L
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This appendix was previously split between two appendices (L and M). Those appendices have been combined into this single appendix. Changes from the prior versions are highlighted.

| Item | Description of Item | Workgroup |
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| Visually Impaired Supplies & Equipment - Other Walkers | | Not Defined - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| Wheelchair Cushions - Brace/Support | Only includes cushions that primarily and customarily serve a medical purpose and that are generally not useful to a person in the absence of illness or injury. | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Wheelchair ramps | Tangible Personal Property only, building materials such as wood or concrete are not included in this item. | Durable medical equipment |
| Wheelchairs | | Mobility enhancing equipment |
| Whirlpools (portable, over-the-tub type devices only) | Not available for sale to the general public, specifically manufactured for a medical purpose. | Durable medical equipment |
| Wound Closure Needles - Suturing w/Thread | | Bundling Determination |
| X-Ray developer solution | | Not Defined - medical supply - See Disclosed Practice 7 |
| X-Ray equipment | | Durable medical equipment |