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Attention DMEPOS Provider Type 33: New Policy Approved for Coverage of Speech Generating Device (SGD), aka: Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Devices

The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) approved a new policy for coverage of medically necessary Speech Generating Devices (SGD) and SGD-related accessories.

Effective immediately, the following codes are available for use to request all SGD-related items. All of these codes require prior authorization:

E1902 – Communication Board, non-electronic augmentative or alternative communication device

E2500, E2502, E2504 and E2506 – Speech Generating Devices, digitized speech

E2508 and E2510 – Speech Generating Devices, synthesized speech

E2511 – Speech generating software program

E2512 – Accessory for SGD, mounting system

E2599 – Accessory for SGD, not otherwise classified

The new policy including qualifications and documentation requirements for each type of device may be reviewed in Medicaid Services Manual, <u>Chapter 1300</u>, Appendix B.

The next revision of the **DMEPOS PT 33 Fee Schedule** will reflect these additions.

