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New Prior Authorization Form to be Required for Oxygen Equipment and Supplies

Effective April 1, 2015, the Nevada Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) will require a new specialized prior authorization form for all oxygen requests (equipment and supplies).

The new form will identify DHCFP's policy requirements such as:

- 1. Arterial blood gases or an oximetry reporting:
 - a. PO2 Level of 60 mmHg or less on room air; or
 - b. 80 mmHg or less on O2; or
 - c. O2 saturation (sat) level of 89 percent or less; and
 - d. Medical Necessity;
 - e. Conditions of study (rest, sleeping, exercising, room air, on oxygen) (required).
- 2. Children: 92 percent or less room air saturation, at rest.
- 3. O2 sats must be performed within 60 days of requested dates of service.

For the complete list of oxygen requirements, please reference <u>Medicaid Services Manual (MSM)</u> Chapter 1300 (DME, Disposable Supplies and Supplements) at https://dhcfp.nv.gov/Index.htm. There will be <u>NO</u> changes to policy located within MSM Chapter 1300, Appendix B, Forms and Documentation Requirements.

The new prior authorization request form for Oxygen Equipment and Supplies (FA-1C) will be located on the <u>Provider Forms</u> webpage (https://www.medicaid.nv.gov/providers/forms/forms.aspx under Prior Authorization Forms) by the April 1, 2015, effective date.