

IDAHO STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE POSITION STATEMENT

HOME DELIVERY AND SET UP OF RESPIRATORY EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES AND MEDICATIONS

Respiratory equipment, supplies and medication including oxygen may be delivered to a patient at home. However, the Idaho State Board of Medicine believes that the initial set-up and training of the use of the equipment, supplies and medication requires the skill and knowledge of a licensed respiratory care practitioner or other qualified licensed health care provider. Any changes to the settings of the equipment, dosage of the medication or liter flow of oxygen should be made by a licensed respiratory care practitioner or qualified licensed health care provider.

The respiratory equipment and supplies affected by this policy include but are not limited to the following:

- Positive pressure airway devices
- High frequency chest wall oscillation devices/supplies
- Invasive mechanical ventilation
- Intermittent positive pressure breathing IPPB devices
- Intrapulmonary percussive ventilation devices
- Mechanical in-exsufflation devices
- Nebulizer equipment, supplies and medications
- Oxygen equipment and/or supplies
- Respiratory assist devices
- Respiratory suction pumps
- Tracheostomy care supplies
- Ventilators, accessories and/or supplies

Third party payers including Medicare and Medicaid may have additional requirements to be met by the Durable Medical Equipment suppliers.

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