

Respiratory Assist Device – E0470:

Bi-Level Pressure Capacity **WITHOUT** Backup Rate

MEDICAL REVIEW DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION IN SUPPLIER'S FILE

All Claims for E0470 – Initial Coverage (1st Three Months)

5 Element Order obtained prior to Delivery for the E0470

5 Element order contains:

Beneficiary's name	Practitioner's signature
Practitioner's NPI	Order date
General description of the item	

The date of the order is on or after a face-to-face encounter between the ordering physician and the beneficiary.

The 5EO was obtained prior to delivery.

A date stamp (or similar) clearly indicates the supplier's date of receipt.

Any changes or corrections have been initialed/signed and dated by the ordering physician.

Detailed Written Order

The DWO contains all of the following elements:

Beneficiary's name;	The date of the order
Prescribing physician's name;	Detailed description of the device being ordered; and
The treating physician's signature;	Detailed list of all accessories/supplies with quantity to dispense, number of refills and replacement frequency.
The date the treating physician signed the order (personally entered by the physician);	

The physician's signature on the detailed written order meets **CMS Signature Requirements**

<http://www.cgsmedicare.com/jc/pubs/news/2010/0410/cope12069.html>

Any changes or corrections have been initialed/signed and dated by the ordering physician.

DELIVERY DOCUMENTATION

Direct Delivery	Shipped/Mail Order Tracking Slip	Shipped/Mail Order Return Post-Paid Delivery Invoice
Beneficiary's name Quantity delivered Detailed description of item(s) Brand Serial number Signature of person accepting delivery Relationship to beneficiary Delivery date	Shipping invoice Beneficiary's name Delivery address Detailed description of item(s) shipped Tracking slip References each individual package Delivery address Package I.D. number A common reference number links the invoice and tracking slip – may be entered by supplier	Shipping invoice Beneficiary's name Delivery address Detailed description of item(s) shipped Quantity shipped Brand Serial number Date shipped Signature of person accepting delivery Relationship to beneficiary Delivery date

Billing Reminder

- **Direct Deliveries** - the date the beneficiary received the DMEPOS supply shall be the date of service on the claim.
- **Shipped or mailed** - the date shipped shall be the date of service on the claim

Medical Record Documentation

Medical records include documentation of a face-to-face encounter between the beneficiary and the ordering practitioner that occurred within 6 months prior to completion of the detailed written order. A date stamp or similar indicator verifies that the supplier received a copy of the F2F note on or before the date of delivery.

The medical record fully documents symptoms characteristic of sleep-associated hypoventilation (daytime hypersomnolence, excessive fatigue, morning headache, cognitive dysfunction, dyspnea, etc.)

Medical records support that the beneficiary has one of the following clinical disorders and meets all coverage criteria for that clinical disorder.

Restrictive Thoracic Disorder

The beneficiary's medical record documents a neuromuscular disease (for example, ALS) or a severe thoracic cage abnormality (for example, post-thoracoplasty for TB); **and**

The medical record documents **ONE** of the following:

An arterial blood gas PaCO₂, done while the beneficiary is awake and breathing the prescribed FIO₂, is greater than or equal to 45 mm Hg; **or**

Sleep oximetry demonstrates oxygen saturation less than or equal to 88% for greater than or equal to 5 minutes of nocturnal recording time (minimum recording time of 2 hours), done while breathing the beneficiary's prescribed recommended FIO₂; **or**

For neuromuscular disease only,

The maximal inspiratory pressure is less than 60 cm H₂O **or**

Forced vital capacity is less than 50% predicted; **and**

The medical record supports that COPD does not contribute significantly to the beneficiary's pulmonary limitation.

Severe COPD

An arterial blood gas PaCO₂, done while the beneficiary is awake and breathing the prescribed FIO₂, is greater than or equal to 52 mm Hg; **and**

Sleep oximetry demonstrates oxygen saturation less than or equal to 88% for greater than or equal to a cumulative 5 minutes of nocturnal recording time (minimum recording time of 2 hours), done while breathing oxygen at 2 LPM or the beneficiary's prescribed FIO₂ (whichever is higher); **and**

The medical record shows that, prior to initiating therapy, OSA and treatment with CPAP has been considered and ruled out (Note: Formal sleep testing is not required if there is sufficient information in the medical record to demonstrate that the beneficiary does not suffer from some form of sleep apnea (Obstructive Sleep Apnea (OSA), CSA and/or Comp SA) as the predominant cause of awake hypercapnia or nocturnal arterial oxygen desaturation).

Central Sleep Apnea or Complex Sleep Apnea

Prior to initiating therapy, a complete facility-based, attended polysomnogram was performed.

The polysomnogram documents **all** of the following.

A diagnosis of central sleep apnea (CSA) or complex sleep apnea (CompSA); **and**

There was significant improvement of the sleep-associated hypoventilation with the use of the device on the settings prescribed for initial use at home, while breathing the beneficiary's prescribed FIO₂.

Central sleep apnea (CSA) is defined as:

1. An apnea-hypopnea index (AHI) greater than 5, and
2. The sum total of central apneas plus central hypopneas is greater than 50% of the total apneas and hypopneas, and
3. A central apnea-central hypopnea index (CAHI) is greater than or equal to 5 per hour, and
4. The presence of at least one of the following:
 - Sleepiness
 - Difficulty initiating or maintaining sleep, frequent awakenings, or nonrestorative sleep
 - Awakening short of breath
 - Snoring
 - Witnessed apneas
5. There is no evidence of daytime or nocturnal hypoventilation.

Complex sleep apnea (CompSA) is a form of central apnea specifically identified by all of the following:

1. With use of a positive airway pressure device without a backup rate (E0601 or E0470), the polysomnogram (PSG) shows a pattern of apneas and hypopneas that demonstrates the persistence or emergence of central apneas or central hypopneas upon exposure to CPAP (E0601) or a bi-level device without backup rate (E0470) device when titrated to the point where obstructive events have been effectively treated (obstructive AHI less than 5 per hour).
2. After resolution of the obstructive events, the sum total of central apneas plus central hypopneas is greater than 50% of the total apneas and hypopneas; and
3. After resolution of the obstructive events, a central apnea-central hypopnea index (CAHI) greater than or equal to 5 per hour.

Hypoventilation Syndrome

An initial arterial blood gas PaCO₂, done while awake and breathing the beneficiary's prescribed FIO₂, is greater than or equal to 45 mm Hg.; **and**

Spirometry shows an FEV₁/FVC greater than or equal to 70% and an FEV₁ greater than or equal to 50% of predicted. (Refer to SEVERE COPD (above) for information about device coverage for beneficiaries with FEV₁/FVC less than 70% or FEV₁ less than 50% of predicted); **and**

Beneficiary's condition also meets one of the following:

An arterial blood gas PaCO₂, done during sleep or immediately upon awakening, and breathing the beneficiary's prescribed FIO₂, shows the beneficiary's PaCO₂ worsened greater than or equal to 7 mm HG compared to the original result in criterion 1 (above); **or**

A facility-based PSG or HST demonstrates oxygen saturation less than or equal to 88% for greater than or equal to 5 minutes of nocturnal recording time (minimum recording time of 2 hours) that is not caused by obstructive upper airway events – i.e., AHI less than 5. (Refer to the Positive Airway Pressure Devices LCD for information about E0470 coverage for obstructive sleep apnea).

Obstructive Sleep Apnea (See Positive Airway Pressure [PAP] Documentation Checklists)

All Claims for E0470 – Continued Coverage (Beyond the 1st Three Months of Therapy)

The medical record contains a re-evaluation on or after the 61st day of therapy.

The re-evaluation records the progress of relevant symptoms; **and**

The re-evaluation documents beneficiary usage of the device up to that time.

The supplier's file includes a signed and dated statement completed by the treating physician no sooner than 61 days after initiating use of the device.

The statement declares that the beneficiary is compliantly uses the device (an average of 4 hours per 24 hour period); **and**

The statement confirms that the beneficiary is benefiting from its use.

Replacement E0470 During Reasonable Useful Lifetime Due to Loss, Theft, or Irreparable Damage

Documentation that verifies the reason for the replacement (police report, insurance report, fire report, etc.)

Replacement E0470 Following 5 year RUL

Face-to-face evaluation by the treating physician that documents the beneficiary continues to use and benefit from the device

A new detailed written order obtained prior to delivery

Beneficiaries Entering Medicare (Continued Use of Existing Device or Replacement Device)

Detailed written order obtained prior to delivery

Qualification testing shows that the beneficiary meets current coverage criteria for one of the 4 clinical disorder groups covered under the RAD policy. (Testing may either have been performed prior to Medicare eligibility or following enrollment in FFS Medicare.)

The treating physician conducted a clinical evaluation following the beneficiary's enrollment in FFS Medicare that documents:

The beneficiary has the qualifying medical condition for the applicable scenario; and

The testing performed, date of the testing used for qualification and results; and

The beneficiary continues to use the device; and,

The beneficiary is benefiting from the treatment.

Refill Request For Non-Consumable Supplies

Beneficiary's name or authorized representative if different from the beneficiary

A description of each item that is being requested

Date of the request

Documentation that describes the functional condition of the item(s) being refilled in sufficient detail to demonstrate the cause of the dysfunction that necessitates the replacement

Contact did not take place sooner than 14 days prior to the delivery/shipping date

Delivery was no sooner than 10 calendar days prior to end of usage for the current product.

Continued Medical Need for the Equipment/Accessories/Supplies is Verified by Either:

A refill order from the treating physician dated within 12 months of the date of service under review; or

A change in prescription dated within 12 months of the date of service under review; or

A medical record, dated within 12 months of the date of service under review, that shows usage of the item.

Modifier Reminders

- Where permitted, KX must be added to code E0470 and codes for the accessories.
- For claims for the first through third months, the KX modifier must not be used on claims unless all RAD coverage criteria are met and all required documentation has actually been obtained and entered into the supplier's file.
- For claims for months four through thirteen, the KX modifier can only be used on claims if both the "Initial Coverage" criteria and "Continued" Coverage criteria have been met. See the RAD LCD (<http://www.cgsmedicare.com/jc/coverage/LCDinfo.html>) for detailed information about use of the KX modifier.
- If all the coverage criteria have not been met, the GA or GZ modifier must be added to the code. When there is an expectation of a medical necessity denial, suppliers must enter GA on the claim line if they have obtained a properly executed Advance Beneficiary Notice (ABN) or GZ if they have not obtained a valid ABN.
- Claim lines billed without a KX, GA, or GZ modifier will be rejected as missing information.

Additional Information References on the Web

- Supplier Documentation Requirements: <http://www.cgsmedicare.com/jc/pubs/pdf/Chpt3.pdf>
- Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) and Policy Articles: <http://www.cgsmedicare.com/jc/coverage/LCDinfo.html>

Note: It is expected that the beneficiary's medical records will reflect the need for the care provided. These records are not routinely submitted to the DMERC but must be available upon request. Therefore, while it is not a requirement, it is a recommendation that suppliers obtain and review the appropriate medical records and maintain a copy in the beneficiary's file.