

WAC 182-554-900 Reimbursement—Enteral nutrition products, equipment, and related supplies. (1) The medicaid agency:

(a) Determines reimbursement for enteral nutrition products, equipment, and related supplies according to a set fee schedule;

(b) Considers medicare's current fee schedule when determining maximum allowable fees;

(c) Considers vendor rate increases or decreases as directed by the legislature;

(d) Evaluates and updates the maximum allowable fees for enteral nutrition products, equipment, and related supplies at least once per year.

(2) The agency pays for covered enteral nutrition products, equipment and related supplies according to a set fee schedule. The agency's payment includes all of the following:

(a) Any adjustment or modification to the equipment within three months of the date of delivery as long as the adjustment is not caused by a change in the client's medical condition;

(b) Instructions to the client or caregiver on the safe and proper use of equipment provided;

(c) Full service warranty;

(d) Delivery and pick-up; and

(e) Fitting and adjustments.

(3) If changes in circumstance occur during the rental period, such as death or ineligibility, the agency discontinues payment effective on the date of the change in circumstance.

(4) The agency does not pay for simultaneous rental and purchase of any item.

(5) The agency does not reimburse for equipment a provider receives at no cost.

(6) The provider who furnishes enteral nutrition equipment to a client is responsible for any costs incurred to have another provider repair equipment if all of the following apply:

(a) Any equipment that the agency considers purchased requires repair during the applicable warranty period;

(b) The provider refuses or is unable to fulfill the warranty; and

(c) The client still needs the equipment.

(7) If the rental equipment must be replaced during the warranty period, the agency recoups fifty percent of the total amount previously paid toward rental and eventual purchase of the equipment delivered to the client if:

(a) The provider is unwilling or unable to fulfill the warranty; and

(b) The client still needs the equipment.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 41.05.021 and 41.05.160. WSR 17-08-009, § 182-554-900, filed 3/24/17, effective 5/1/17. WSR 11-14-075, recodified as § 182-554-900, filed 6/30/11, effective 7/1/11. Statutory Authority: 2009 c 564 § 1109, RCW 74.04.050, and 74.08.090. WSR 10-01-138, § 388-554-900, filed 12/21/09, effective 1/21/10.]