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Provider Type: 03-030, 03-031, 03-040, and 03-382. 25-250 (DME suppliers)
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SUBJECT: DME and Cost Report Reminder

The Department of Public Welfare (DPW) has become aware that some Durable Medical Equipment (DME) companies are inappropriately billing Medical Assistance (MA) for supplies used by MA recipients while they were in a Long Term Care facility.

Please note that facilities are responsible for the cost of medical supplies used by MA recipients residing in their facility. Accordingly, DME companies should not be billing these residents directly, nor should they be billing MA or Medicare.

Nursing costs and medical supplies may be included in the cost report as per Regulation §1187.51 which states "...allowable costs for purposes of cost reporting include those costs necessary to provide nursing facility services."

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