



Date: September 1, 2020  
To: Nursing Facility Providers  
Subject: Qualified Rehabilitation Professional -assessment required  
for Preadmission Screening and Resident Review --  
Customized Manual Wheelchair - prior authorization  
requests  
Information Letter No. 20-39 REVISED

In accordance with Human Resources Code, Section 32.0425, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will reimburse a nursing facility (NF) for the provision of a customized manual wheel chair (CMWC) through the Preadmission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) program only when a durable medical equipment (DME) supplier ensures a qualified rehabilitation professional (QRP) is present and involved in the clinical assessment for the CMWC and at the time the CMWC is delivered to ensure the chair meets the needs of the resident and proper fitting.

Therefore, beginning on September 1, 2020, in order for a NF to be reimbursed for a CMWC, HHSC will require that a NF submit HHSC [form 2362](#) on the Long-term care online portal (LTCOP) in addition to submitting the [PASRR NF Specialized Service \(NFSS\) - CMWC/DME Receipt Certification](#) after the CMWC is delivered.

## **QRP Certification**

A qualified rehabilitation professional is a person who holds a certification from and is in good standing with the Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America as:

- an assistive technology professional, or
- a rehabilitation engineering technologist.

## Prior Authorization Request

When a NF submits a prior authorization request for a CMWC on the [PASRR NF Specialized Service \(NFSS\) - Authorization Request for CMWC](#) form in the Texas Medicaid and Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) LTCOP, the NF must request payment for the QRP assessment provided by a QRP who is employed by or contracts with the DME supplier. The QRP assessment will be reimbursed at the same price as one Therapy Assessment, which is \$95.08.

The LTCOP will automatically deduct 18 percent from the total amount of the authorization request for the CMWC. Therefore, in order for NFs to receive the full amount of \$95.08, the NF must enter the amount of \$115.95 for the authorization. Once approved, the NF will receive \$95.08 to reimburse the QRP.

Under the *Itemized Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price) Quote* section of the NFSS form for the CMWC, on the final row after all items have been entered, the NF will enter the following:

- **C1900C. HCPCS Code – enter K0108**
- **C1900D. Description of Item – enter QRP Assessment**
- **C1900E. Item price – enter \$115.95**
- **C1900F. Quantity – enter 1 (one)**
- **C1900G. Total price – enter \$115.95**

This amount will be included in the total price approved for the CMWC.

After the CMWC has been delivered, the NF will need to submit the QRP certification form along with the CMWC receipt certification on the TMHP LTCOP. Submitting these two forms will allow HHSC to make the funds available to the NF by creating the service authorization. After HHSC reimburses the NF, the NF will pay the provider for the chair and the QRP assessment.

For detailed instructions on how to attach completed forms to an NFSS form on the TMHP LTCOP, refer to the [Companion Guide for Completing the Authorization Request for PASRR Nursing Facility Specialized Services \(PDF\)](#).

Questions regarding the content of this letter can be submitted to the [PASRR.Support@hhsc.state.tx.us](mailto:PASRR.Support@hhsc.state.tx.us) mailbox. Please do not include resident specific information in your email. Instead, use the document locator number for a form associated with the person in the LTCOP.

Sincerely,

[signature on file]

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