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Correction to Billing Limits for Tracheostomy Supply Code 9981J

This is an alert to inform you that the following information is being corrected in the Medi-Cal Manual and to assist you if you receive questions from providers:

Limits for Medi-Cal billing code 9981J (tracheostomy inner cannula) were incorrectly set to no more than 12 in 81 days without prior authorization, effective November 1, 2008. The correct maximum quantity limitation for Medi-Cal billing code 9981J (tracheostomy inner cannula) is no more than 90 in an 81-day period without prior authorization. Providers who received claim denials, due to "quantity limits exceeded" between November 1, 2008 and January 31, 2009, must resubmit those claims within six months following the month of service to ensure proper payment.