

State Board of Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics



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June 9, 2011

TO: ODJFS/Ohio Health Plans
RE: Draft Rule 5101:3-10-35 Cranial Orthotic Devices

The Board acknowledges receiving a request for comment from Ohio Health Plans regarding the proposed rule language pending in draft form as noted above and as attached.

We understand that our comment is sought primarily because the item is a highly customized orthotic device and specialty item with which our licensees/practitioners and Board Members may be familiar.

This Board was created pursuant to and is authorized and responsible to administer and enforce the Ohio Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics Practice Act, Chapter 4779, Ohio Revised Code. The statutory language defines an orthotic device as:

. . . a custom fabricated or fitted medical device used to support, correct, or alleviate neuromuscular or musculoskeletal dysfunction, disease, injury, or deformity. [ref: ORC 4779.01 (E)]

In conducting our review, we solicited and received the informed input of three non-Board Member licensees/practitioners from around the state who currently provide these device-related services. In addition, the language was given careful review by our Member who is a pediatric physiatrist at Nationwide Children's Hospital.

Please find attached our document offering suggested amendments to your currently-proposed language by mark-up as well as footnoted comments and discussion. We are also providing for your consideration a detail of the reimbursement metrics and methodology utilized by the Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps (BCMh) of the Ohio Department of Health for these services.

The State Board of Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics considered this matter as an agenda item at its meeting of June 8, 2011, and approved this submission by unanimous vote. Thank you for this opportunity to provide comment in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark B. Levy
Board Director

Attached: 5101:3-10-35 Draft Rule as received
Mark-up and Comments of Draft Rule approved 06.08.2011
BCMh reimbursement metrics

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