

# Medicaid Provider Rate Review Advisory Committee Meeting

**January 25, 2019**

10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

**Facilitator – Eloiss Hulsbrink**  
**Presenters – January Montano**  
**Jeremy Tipton**



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# *Agenda*

- Meeting Minutes Review 10:00 – 10:10 AM
- Year Four DME Considerations 10:10 – 10:20 AM
- DME UPL Codes 10:20 – 10:30 AM
- MPRRAC Discussion/Stakeholder Comment 10:30 – 10:45 AM
- Introduction to MPRRAC Training 10:45 – 10:55 AM
- Next Steps 10:55 – 11:00 AM



# *Our Mission*

Improving health care access and outcomes for the **people** we serve while demonstrating sound stewardship of financial **resources**



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# *Introduction to DME*

- Includes medical equipment that can withstand repeated use and that generally would be of no value to the member in the absence of a disability, illness or injury.
  - E.g., wheelchairs, hospital beds, and oxygen concentrators.
  - Prosthetics, orthotics and disposable supplies are scheduled for review in Year Five of the Rate Review process.



# Largest Year Four DME Categories



Chairs, Wheelchairs, &  
Accessories - General Use (355)

Bed & Bedroom Equipment (76)

Oxygen & Respiratory Care (41)

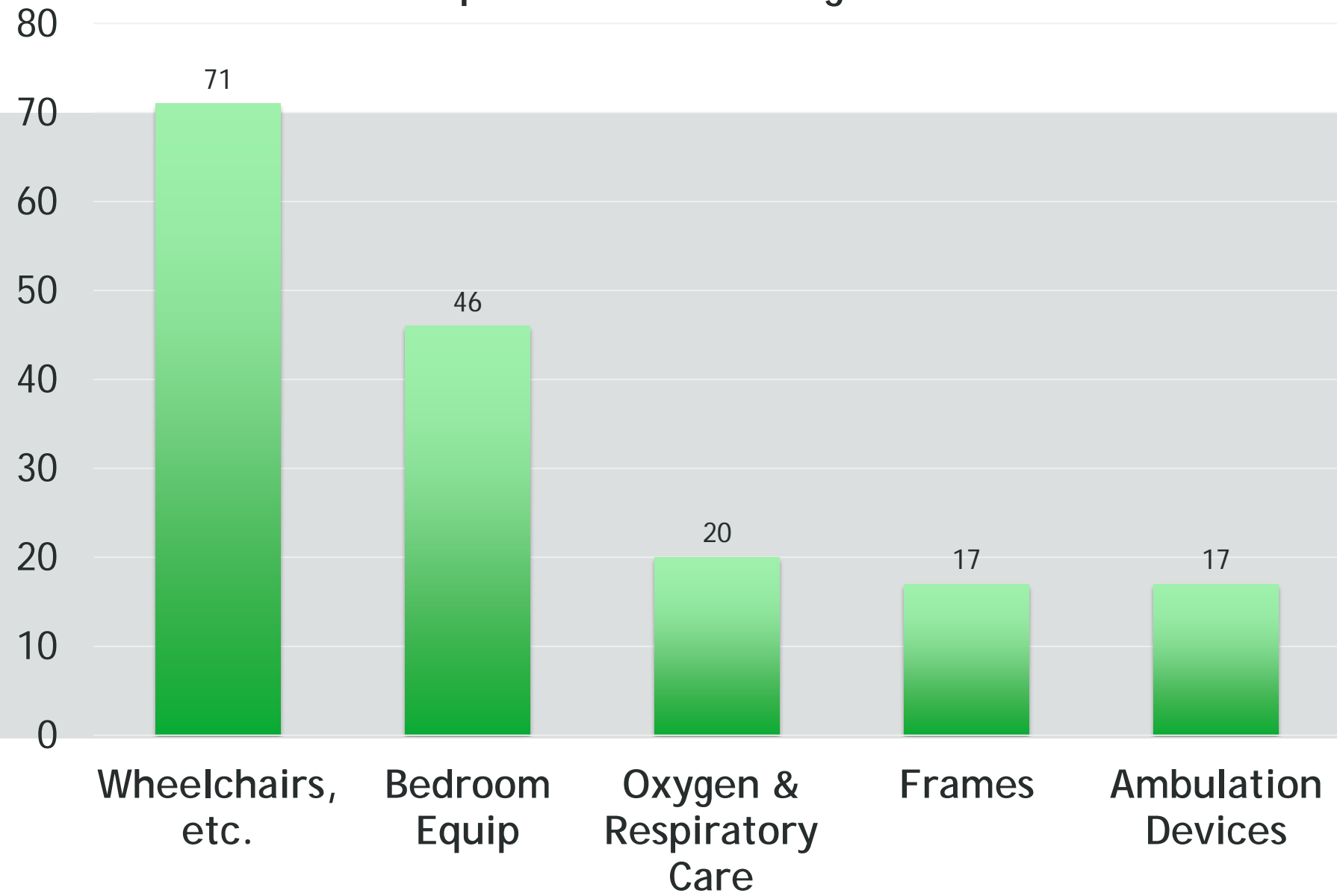
# *Upper Payment Limit (UPL) & DME*

- Federal legislation requires states and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to set certain DME rates at or below *100% of Medicare reimbursement*.
- Plan to review the codes subject to UPL in Year Four.
  - Focus on non-fiscal recommendations



# Year Four DME Codes Subject to UPL

Top 5 UPL Code Categories



Other Services Impacted by UPL:

- Home IV Therapy
- Bathroom Equipment
- Nebulizers
- CPAP & BIPAP
- Monitoring Equipment



# *Feedback from Stakeholders*



Potential UPL impact on access to:

- Oxygen Supplies
- CPAP/BIPAP
- Wheelchairs
- Beds, Mattresses, and Lifts



# *Rate Review Benchmarks for DME*



Medicare Reimbursement Rates



Medicaid Rates - Data from previous states benchmarked



Medicaid Rates - Supplemental data from new states

# 2019 Year Four Rate Review Timeline



# Summary of Considerations

## UPL

What: May not make certain fiscal changes to rates subject to UPL

MRRAC members should keep non-fiscal recommendations in mind

## Access Concerns

What: Department is monitoring stakeholder concerns related to UPL impact on access

Department is taking proactive measures and making space for stakeholder comment.

## Data Interpretation

What: Optumas contracted for Access Data Analyses

Department will share Optumas access analyses in March and cooperate with Access Stakeholder Relations Specialist to design supplemental qualitative research for inclusion in the Analysis Report due May 1, 2019.

# *Questions / Comments*



# *MPRRAC Orientation to House Bill 18-1198*



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# *Legislation*

HB18-1198 requires that “each statutorily created board or commission in State government..., shall implement written policies or bylaws and obtain annual training on” certain legal requirements, as well as scope, processes, and responsibilities of the committee.

Commencing January 2019



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# *Training Elements*

## Required by HB 18-1198

- Open Meetings Act, CORA, and Sunshine Laws
- Legislative Intent (committee powers & duties)
- Goals & Purpose
- Conflicts of Interest
- Role as Public Representative
- Appropriate Involvement

## Rate Review Requirements

- Review Annual Rate Review Schedule
- Review Annual Report
- Conduct Public Meetings
- Review Annual Recommendations
- Direct Dept. on Rate Review Schedule
- Recommend changes to Rate Review Process



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# Department Training Approach



Department-wide Video



Facilitator Guide



MPRRAC Orientation Materials



# *Orientation Outline*

## 1. About the Department

- Mission
- Vision
- Population Served
- Statutes
  - Colorado Open Records Act
  - Open Meetings Act
  - Sunshine Laws



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# *Outline (cont.)*

## 2. About MPRRAC

- Purpose & Mission of Committee
- MPRRAC Rules of Governance
- Senate Bill 15-228 (Rate Review Process Legislation)
- Scope, Responsibilities, & Authority of Members
- Commitment & Expectations
- Term Limits & Appointment Procedures
- Rate Review Schedule & Reports

## 3. Rate Review Details

- Where the MPRRAC fits into Department processes
- Difference between Rate Review & Rate Setting



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# Milestones

January 25 - Department  
Introduces Requirement

February 22 - MPRRAC  
Members Provide Feedback

March 29 - Department  
presents first draft to  
committee

June 2019 - Department  
presents second draft to  
committee

September 2019 -  
Implement Annual MPRRAC  
Orientation



# *Feedback / Suggestions*



# *Next Steps*

- Read HB18-1198 before next meeting
- Watch for February 15, 2019 meeting materials
- Send feedback on training materials by February 22



# Contact

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