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Hearing Date: 11/17/2023

Today's Date: 12/6/2023

Agency: Ohio Department of Medicaid

Rule Number(s): 5160-10-01 with appendix

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List organizations or individuals giving or submitting testimony before, during or after the public hearing and indicate the rule number(s) in question.

1. Optimus Prosthetics -- 5160-10-01 appendix
2. Ohio Association of Medical Equipment Services (OAMES) -- 5160-10-01 appendix
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Hearing Summary Report

Consolidated Summary of Comments Received

Please review all comments received and complete a consolidated summary paragraph of the comments and indicate the rule number(s).

Both entities that submitted comments or testimony expressed support for the increases in Medicaid payment.

Optimus Prosthetics urged reconsideration of maximum payment amounts for orthotics and prosthetics and claimed that many items necessary for fabrication of upper extremity prostheses are not covered under Ohio Medicaid.

OAMES pointed out what appeared to be an error in the payment schedule.

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Incorporated Comments into Rule(s)

Indicate how comments received during the hearing process were incorporated into the rule(s). If no comments were incorporated, explain why not.

No additional changes to the rules are being implemented at this time.

Before and during the public comment period on the rules, which took place a month before the public hearing, the department made a specific effort to ask the association of orthotics and prosthetics suppliers for recommendations about payment. The broad request presented at the public hearing for a “fair and equitable increase” would entail extensive discussion and additional payment system modification. That discussion can begin during the next budget cycle. For the items identified as “not covered,” the prior authorization (PA) process has always been available. For clarity, items that are not routinely covered but may be obtained with PA are now listed explicitly in a new ‘Atypical items’ section of the payment schedule.

What appeared to be a payment schedule error was in fact correct.