

Questions and Answers from Home Health, Hospice and DME Open Door Forum- June 30, 2021

1. I'm calling about parenteral and enteral nutrition pumps. And I want to make sure I'm reading the claims manual correctly. This would be from Chapter 20 regarding capped rentals. So at the end of the rental period, if the beneficiary doesn't choose the purchase option, is it correct that we maintain ownership of those pumps or are we required to transfer ownership like the other capped rental items?
 - a. The supplier that collects the last month of rental (i.e., 15th month) is responsible for ensuring that the patient has a pump for the duration of medical necessity and for maintenance and servicing (M/S) of the pump during the duration of therapy.
2. I had a question about the value-based purchasing and the new measures that we were submitting in the prior demonstration. Are we going to have to be doing that anymore in the new one?
 - a. Now those measures that the nine states were self-reporting under the original model are not proposed under expansion. So they would no longer be reported.