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# Montana Healthcare Programs Notice

## Durable Medical Equipment, Pharmacy, Physician, Mid-Level, and EPSDT Providers

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**Effective Immediately**

### Coverage of Weighted Blankets

Under the durable medical equipment (DME) benefit, weighted blankets are a non-covered item. The Department has determined there is no evidence based, or peer reviewed medical literature to support the medical use of such items. Therefore, weighted blankets have been considered to be experimental and investigational, and will be denied for payment.

In accordance with Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM), 37.85.207 (n), experimental services are explicitly excluded from the Montana Medicaid Program.

### Contact Information

If you have any questions regarding the above requirement please contact Dani Feist, DME Program Officer at 406-444-5296 or via email at [dfeist@mt.gov](mailto:dfeist@mt.gov).

For claims questions or additional information, contact Provider Relations at 1-800-624-3958 (toll-free, in/out of state) or 406-442-1837 (Helena) or via e-mail at [MTPRHelpdesk@xerox.com](mailto:MTPRHelpdesk@xerox.com).

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