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CHAPTER 18:DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENTSECTION 18.0:OVERVIEW

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This chapter applies to the Louisiana Medicaid Durable Medical Equipment (DME) program and contains basic information herein. Use this chapter in conjunction with Chapter One, General Information and Administration.

Providers of DME must be enrolled in order to participate in this program. Participation is completely voluntary. However, if a provider chooses to participate, he/she must accept the Medicaid payment as payment in full for Medicaid covered services.

The Louisiana Medicaid DME Program covers the least costly alternative based on the **beneficiary's medical necessity** for the DME or orthotics/prosthetics device.

The DME, medical supplies, prosthetics and orthotics must be prescribed by the Medicaid beneficiary's attending physician or physician's authorized representative.

All services must be prior authorized.