
CHAPTER 18: DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

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18.2.1.4 Peak Flow Meters and Mucus Clearance (Flutter) Devices

Portable, manual type peak flow meters can be covered for beneficiaries with asthma when prescribed for the measurement of lung function as part of an effective asthma management program and prior authorization is required.

Coverage of small, hand held mucus clearance (flutter) devices is provided when prescribed for beneficiaries with lung diseases or conditions producing retained secretions, such as Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease and Cystic Fibrosis, to facilitate the removal of mucus from the lungs and must be prior authorized.