



## MEDICARE

Part A Intermediary  
Part B Carrier  
DME Regional Carrier

January 17, 2003

Brian Goldstein  
Mason Medical  
85 Denton Avenue  
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Re: Masonair LS9000 Low Air Loss Support Surface Mattress System (Model LS9000)

Masonair LS9000B Bariatric Low Air Loss Support Surface Mattress System  
(Models LS9000B-39, LS9000B-42, LS9000B-48, LS9000B-54, LS9000B-60)

Dear Mr. Goldstein:

The SADMERC and the four Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs) completed the HCPCS Coding Verification Review on January 15, 2003 for the above listed products manufactured by your company. This review resulted in a consensus coding decision.

It is our determination that the Masonair LS9000 Low Air Loss Support Surface Mattress System (Model LS9000) and Masonair LS9000B Bariatric Low Air Loss Support Surface Mattress System (Models LS9000B-39, LS9000B-42, LS9000B-48, LS9000B-54, LS9000B-60) meet the characteristics and description of the HCPCS codes as assigned. Therefore, the correct Medicare billing codes for these products are

**E0277 Powered pressure-reducing air mattress.** For the Masonair LS9000 Low Air Loss Support Surface Mattress System (Model LS9000).

**E1399 Durable medical equipment, miscellaneous.** For the Masonair LS9000B Bariatric Low Air Loss Support Surface Mattress System (Models LS9000B-39, LS9000B-42, LS9000B-48, LS9000B-54, LS9000B-60).

HCPCS code E1399 is a miscellaneous code and requires a complete description of the product when billing to Medicare. The description should include the manufacturer name, product name and the reason this item was prescribed for the patient.

This HCPCS coding decision applies to your products as they were presented to and reviewed by the SADMERC and four DMERCs. Any modifications to these products could change the HCPCS code and would need to be reviewed for coding verification. The assignment of a HCPCS code to these products should in no way be construed as an approval or endorsement of these products by SADMERC or Medicare, nor does it imply or guarantee claim reimbursement or coverage. For questions regarding claim coverage or reimbursement please contact your regional DMERC.

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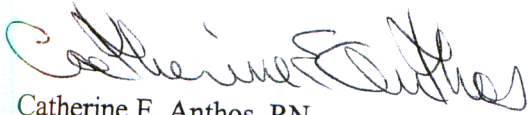
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HCPCS code E1399 is a miscellaneous code. If you would prefer a specific code for your product you may apply through the Alpha-Numeric Workgroup for a new code for this product. This workgroup reviews applications for modification of permanent national Level II HCPCS codes. Please contact the HCPCS Coordinator at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). The address is provided below.

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
Attention: Cindy Hake, HCPCS Coordinator  
7500 Security Boulevard  
C5-08-27  
Baltimore, MD 21244-1850

If you have any questions regarding this coding decision, please contact me at the address below or by telephone at (803) 763-8215.

Sincerely,



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SADMERC

cc: DMERCs