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TO: Iowa Medicaid Pharmacy and Medical Equipment and Supply Providers

ISSUED BY: Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise

RE: Equipment Rental

EFFECTIVE: April 1, 2010

Informational Letter 893, dated April 1, 2010 advised that apnea monitors, bilirubin lights, enteral feeding pumps and wound vacs would be considered patient owned after 10 months of rental payments have been made. That statement is hereby revised. Reimbursement for enteral feeding pumps after 10 months of continuous use, as defined in Informational Letter 893, is not allowed. The feeding pump, however, is not considered patient owned unless or until the provider supplies the title to the member.

This revision is made to maintain access by allowing providers who only have rental agreements with manufacturers to continue to provide this service.

NOTE: Repairs and maintenance are allowed only on member owned equipment.

If you have any questions, please contact the IME Provider Services Unit, 1-800-338-7909, locally 515-256-4609 or by e-mail at imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us.