Nebulizer

Documentation Required

❖ All Insurance payers
  ▪ Prescription
  ▪ Medical record notes specifying medical necessity

❖ Medicare recipients
  ▪ Written Order Prior to Delivery (WOPD), which includes all the following elements:
    ✓ Start Date
    ✓ Patient name
    ✓ Provider name
    ✓ Provider NPI number
    ✓ Detailed description of item(s) prescribed
    ✓ Drug being administered, concentration and frequency of use
    ✓ ICD-10 code(s)
    ✓ Length of need
    ✓ Provider signature with credentials (for Medicare recipients)
    ✓ Provider signature date (in addition to start date of prescription for Medicare recipients)
    ✓ Provider (MD, DO, PA-C, ANP) face to face examination notes within 6 months prior to WOPD

Face to Face Examination Notes Must Document

❖ Condition that warrants the machine and medication
❖ Coverage is based on medication and is diagnosis specific. Medication and ICD-10 code must be listed on the Medicare LCD guideline. Most common medications and diagnosis are listed below:
  ▪ Albuterol, budesonide, cromolyn, formoterol, ipratropium, levalbuterol, metaproterenol
    - COPD, emphysema, bronchitis, asthma, pneumonia, RSV, influenza, tuberculosis, whooping cough, HIV
  ▪ Dornase alpha/Pulmozyme
    - Cystic fibrosis
  ▪ Tobramycin
    - Cystic fibrosis or bronchiectasis

***Medicare LCD guideline link: https://med.noridianmedicare.com/web/jddme/policies/lcd/active ***