



**VETERANS AFFAIRS CANADA
PROGRAM OF CHOICE (POC) 09 – OXYGEN THERAPY
ALL PROVINCES AND TERRITORIES**

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Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) wishes to advise you of updates to existing benefits and the introduction of one (1) new benefit code under Program of Choice (POC) 09 – Oxygen Therapy, **effective December 1, 2024.**

The following revisions are effective December 1st, 2024

Benefit Code	Description	Revision	Benefit Information
343719	VENTILATOR (RESPIRATOR) - RENTAL	Updated	Pre-Authorization: FNSO Prescriber: MD, NP Recommender: RT Frequency: 4 / 4 CM
343720	VENTILATOR (RESPIRATOR) - PURCHASE	Updated	Pre-Authorization: FNSO Prescriber: MD, NP Recommender: RT Frequency: 1 / 5 CY
342010	VENTILATOR (RESPIRATOR) SUPPLIES - MINOR	New	Pre-Authorization: FNSO, MAC Prescriber: MD, NP, RT Recommender: N/A Frequency: N/A

Providers shall charge the lesser of the rate charged by the provider to any patient paying cash for the same service/product or up to the maximum rate contained in the benefit grids.

For details pertaining to fees and claims submission requirements, please refer to the Claims Submission Agreement and related supporting documentation found on the Medavie Blue Cross website at www.medaviebc.ca and click on the Health Professionals link. On our website you will also find important information on how to:

- register to access our secure ePay provider portal by clicking on the Register or Update link;
- sign up for direct deposit; and
- view provider guides and benefit grids, download provider payment schedules and other important information.

Should you or your members have any questions, please contact Medavie Blue Cross at 1-888-261-4033.

Thank you for the ongoing care and service you provide to our Veterans.