

How to order an automatic blood pressure monitor for Minnesota Medicaid or MinnesotaCare members

Follow these steps to order an automatic blood pressure monitor for Minnesota Medicaid or MinnesotaCare members:

- 1) Write the member a prescription (order) for an automatic blood pressure monitor.
- 2) Send that prescription to a medical equipment provider (many pharmacies are Minnesota Health Care Programs [MHCP]-enrolled medical equipment providers).
- 3) Either ship the item to the member or the member can pick it up from the medical equipment provider.

Additional information about automatic blood pressure monitors:

- The member must require frequent monitoring of blood pressure.
- Authorization is not required.
- One unit may be dispensed every three years. If the unit is lost, stolen, or damaged within three years of being dispensed, authorization is required to get a new one.
- The HCPCS code is A4670. (This does not need to be on the order, this information is only here in case you are having trouble getting a medical supplier to cover it.)
- Contact your usual medical equipment provider with questions. Providers are not required to provide this item if they don't provide it to any other individuals in the community or for other insurers. If a medical equipment provider is hesitant to provide a blood pressure monitor, encourage them to consider the member benefits and contact the MHCP Provider Resource Center if they have any questions. If they are still unwilling to provide a blood pressure monitor, you may need to do some research to find a provider who will provide one. MHCP cannot refer you to a specific provider.
- Providers can contact the <u>MHCP Provider Resource Center</u> at 651-431-2700 or 800-366-5411 with any questions about coverage or billing.