

# Texas Medicaid (Title XIX) Home Health Durable Medical Equipment and Supplies

Informational Report

## **Results in Brief**

### Why OIG Compiled This Report

Texas Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) cover durable medical equipment (DME), expendable medical supplies provided to eligible recipients at their place of residence, and certain nutritional products. Patients use DME and supplies at home or in their daily routines outside of a health care setting. This is of interest to oversight agencies because of the nature of DME and supplies being delivered to patients for home use.

### This Informational Report

This informational report is not an audit report under generally accepted government auditing standards. The report includes OIG Audit's compilation and analysis of nonaudited information obtained from multiple sources and observations drawn from analysis of non-audited information obtained from financial statistical reports submitted to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) and from the Texas Medicaid and Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) claim and encounter database. This is for information only and should not be considered guidance.

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#### Information Included in this Report

This informational report provides:

- An overview of how Texas Medicaid and CHIP patients can access DME and supplies.
- Texas Medicaid and CHIP requirements for DME and supplies providers.
- Research and analysis of DME and supplies completed by the Texas Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of Inspector General (OIG) Audit and Inspections Division (OIG Audit).
- A discussion of the different types of DME and supplies.

Analysis includes breakdowns of 2022 claims by program, service area, provider, and category, as shown in the figure.

### DME Categories as Percentages of 2022 DME Claims Dollars

DME Category	% of Claims Dollars	Dollars Paid (\$ millions)
Incontinence supplies	23%	\$145.9
Nutritional (enteral) products, supplies, and equipment	23%	\$145.5
Respiratory equipment and supplies	14%	\$84.3
Injectable medicines and services	10%	\$61.2
Mobility aids	7%	\$42.0
Diabetic equipment and supplies	6%	\$39.6
22 other categories each less than 5%	17%	\$105.7