Frequently Asked Questions
Ventilator Equipment And Supplies

How can a client on a BiPap ST receive funding for non invasive headgear?

When the prescribing physician is completing the Application for Ventilator Equipment and Supplies form he/she must check off the box for Ventilator Supplies. Once funding is approved by ADP, the client will receive a grant amount to purchase the headgear and other ventilator supplies.

Why is Question #3 for BiPap ST devices a double negative?

The intent is for all three of the questions under the BiPap ST section to be answered Yes. By answering Yes to question #3 the physician is affirming that the client does not have OSAS, Obesity Hypoventilation or Central Sleep Apnea.

It is stated on the new application form in this section that if the answer is NO, then supporting documentation as to why a BiPap ST with a back up rate is required for the client and this supporting documentation must be included with the application form.

Why do I have to answer question #4 for BiPap ST devices?

This is not a change. Previously, all prescribing physicians requesting a BiPap ST had to indicate on the application form that the BiPap ST “was not for life support” and that the client and/or their family had been made aware. In the past, if the physician failed to indicate “not for life support” on the application form, the physician was contacted by ADP to send in a letter confirming that they had discussed the “not for life support” with the client and or the client’s family. The application would not be approved until this information was received. Now this information must be answered on the application form.

Why is the program requesting a rationale for back up rate for Central Sleep Apnea?

This is not a new policy. ADP has always requested the prescribing physician to provide documentation as to why a back up rate (BiPap ST) is required for clients with OSAS, Obesity Hypoventilation and Central Sleep Apnea.

Will the new application forms always need to be printed and mailed for the applicant signature?

It is expected that the contact RRT’s in hospitals, who assist the physicians with the VEP forms, would print off extra forms so that they would be readily available to physicians and specialized clinics (ALS clinics) so that applicants can sign the application forms when they are at the clinic or at the prescribing physician’s office. If the applicant does not have an opportunity to sign the form at that time, the form would have to be mailed to the individual for signature and date prior to the application being sent to ADP.