
Assistive Devices Program
Positive Airway Pressure (PAP) Systems New Pricing
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ADP-Registered Vendors of Respiratory Equipment and Supplies

This document includes questions and answers to help ADP-registered vendors of Respiratory Equipment and Supplies understand the changes being made to the pricing for Positive Airway Pressure (PAP) systems under the Assistive Devices Program.

If you have additional questions not covered in this document, please send your questions to adpvendors@ontario.ca

Q1 What is the new device price for positive airway pressure systems?

A1 The new device price for PAP systems is the following:

- \$554 for continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) systems
- \$554 for auto-titrating positive airway pressure (APAP) systems
- \$950 for bi-level positive airway pressure (BPAP) systems

Q2 What is the effective date for the new device price for PAP systems?

A2 The new pricing schedule takes effect on April 1, 2020.

Q3 Has the ADP made any changes to who is eligible to receive 100% funding for PAPs?

A3 No, the ADP has not made any changes to the current ADP eligibility criteria to receive 100% funding.

Ontarians who meet the eligibility criteria for 100% funding will continue to receive 100% of the new device price for PAPs.

Q4 Has the ADP made any changes to the medical eligibility criteria for PAPs?

A4 The ADP has eliminated the additional medical eligibility criteria for APAP systems. As of April 1, 2020, to receive funding for an APAP system, the applicant must only demonstrate a diagnosis of Obstructive Sleep Apnea Syndrome and the presence of significant symptoms or medical risks without treatment, and the absence of symptoms or risks with treatment.

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Q5 Has the ADP made any changes to the ADP-registered vendor's role and responsibilities?

A5 The ADP has not made any changes to the ADP-registered vendor's role and responsibilities.

ADP-registered vendors must continue to be a resource for the applicant regarding the different makes and models of PAP systems available. Once the client has selected their PAP system, the vendor must provide the client with a complete PAP system and must provide the training and education on the effective use, care and maintenance of that device.

Q6 Are there any changes to the policies concerning how the ADP-registered vendor invoices the ADP for PAP devices?

A6 No, the ADP has not made any changes to the current policies or procedures for invoicing the ADP for PAP devices.

The new prices will take effect April 1, 2020. Therefore, any applications with a delivery date of April 1, 2020 or after will be subject to the new prices.

Q7 What information was used to arrive at the new price?

A7 In order to make PAP systems more affordable for Ontarians, the government is implementing a price change for these devices, which will result in lower co-payment costs for patients, starting April 1, 2020.

Price changes were informed by extensive market and trend analysis, other jurisdictions, targeted margin analysis, expert advice, and the size of Ontario and its program.

Reducing the price Ontarians will have to pay for positive airway pressure (PAP) systems is one of the ways that the government is making ageing in Ontario more affordable. This also closely follows the recommendations included in the 2018 Annual Report from the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario.