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Part A Intermediary
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DME Regional Carrier

July 8, 2004

Michael Tymkiw, President
Medline Industries, Inc.
One Medline Place
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear Mr. Tymkiw:

Re: Medfix Elastic Adhesive Bandage (NON260401, NON260402, NON260403,
NON260404)
Medfix Waterproof Tape – Latex Free (NON260512, NON260501, NON260502,
NON260503)

The SADMERC and the four Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs) have completed the HCPCS Coding Verification Review on July 6, 2004 for the above listed product(s) manufactured by your company. This review resulted in a consensus coding decision. It is our determination that the above products meet the description for the Surgical Dressings as defined in the DMERC Medical Policy for Surgical Dressings. Therefore, the correct Medicare billing code(s) for the product(s) is/are:

A4450 Tape, non-waterproof, per 18 square inches for Medfix Elastic Adhesive Bandage
(NON260401, NON260402, NON260403, NON260404)

A4452 Tape, waterproof, per 18 square inches for Medfix Waterproof Tape – Latex Free
(NON260512, NON260501, NON260502, NON260503)

This HCPCS coding decision applies to the submitted product(s) as presented to and reviewed by the SADMERC and four DMERCs. Any modifications to this product could change the HCPCS code and would need to be reviewed for coding verification. The assignment of a HCPCS code to this product should in no way be construed as an approval or endorsement of this product by SADMERC or Medicare, nor does it imply or guarantee claim reimbursement or coverage. For questions regarding claim coverage or reimbursement please contact your regional DMERC.

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