This is further discussed in section II.D. of this final rule.

We are finalizing the Master List as proposed with two modifications. First, we are adding oxygen concentrator (E1390) since it meets the criteria and should have been added to the proposed Master List. The addition is bolded and italicized for easy reference on the Master List (Table 5). Second, we are removing five proposed items from the list that did not meet the 2015 DMEPOS Fee Schedule list criteria of $1,000 or greater average purchase fee schedule or an average rental fee schedule of $100 or greater. These items include the following:

- Custom shaped protective cover, above knee (L5705).
- Custom shaped protective cover, knee disarticulation (L5706).
- Addition, exoskeletal knee-shin system, polycentric, friction swing and stance phase control (L5718).
- Addition, exoskeletal knee-shin system, single axis, pneumatic swing, friction stance phase control (L5722).
- Addition, endoskeletal knee-shin system, polycentric, mechanical stance phase lock (L5816).

DMEPOS items meeting the proposed criteria are listed in the Final Master List, which is found in Table 5.

TABLE 5—FINAL MASTER LIST OF DMEPOS ITEMS SUBJECT TO FREQUENT UNNECESSARY UTILIZATION FOR PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

[Items added to the proposed Master List are bolded and italicized]

HCPCS	Description
E0193	Powered air flotation bed (low air loss therapy).
E0260	Hosp bed semi-electr w/matt.
E0277	Powered pres-redu air mattrs.
E0371	Nonpowered advanced pressure reducing overlay for mattress, standard mattress length and width.
E0372	Powered air overlay for mattress, standard mattress length and width.
E0373	Nonpowered advanced pressure reducing mattress.
E0470	Respiratory assist device, bi-level pressure capability, without backup rate feature, used with noninvasive interface, e. g. , nasal or facial mask (intermittent assist device with continuous positive airway pressure device).
E0601	Continuous Airway Pressure (CPAP) Device.
E1390	***Oxygen Concentrator***.
E2402	Negative pressure wound therapy electrical pump, stationary or portable.
K0004	High strength, lightweight wheelchair.
K0813	Power wheelchair, group 1 standard, portable, sling/solid seat and back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0814	Power wheelchair, group 1 standard, portable, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0815	Power wheelchair, group 1 standard, sling/solid seat and back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0816	Power wheelchair, group 1 standard, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0820	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, portable, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0821	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, portable, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0822	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0823	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0824	Power wheelchair, group 2 heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.
K0825	Power wheelchair, group 2 heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.
K0826	Power wheelchair, group 2 very heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.
K0827	Power wheelchair, group 2 very heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.
K0828	Power wheelchair, group 2 extra heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 601 pounds or more.
K0829	Power wheelchair, group 2 extra heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight 601 pounds or more.
K0835	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0836	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, single power option, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0837	Power wheelchair, group 2 heavy duty, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.
K0838	Power wheelchair, group 2 heavy duty, single power option, captains chair, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.
K0839	Power wheelchair, group 2 very heavy duty, single power option sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.
K0840	Power wheelchair, group 2 extra heavy duty, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 601 pounds or more.
K0841	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0842	Power wheelchair, group 2 standard, multiple power option, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0843	Power wheelchair, group 2 heavy duty, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.
K0848	Power wheelchair, group 3 standard, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0849	Power wheelchair, group 3 standard, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0850	Power wheelchair, group 3 heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.
K0851	Power wheelchair, group 3 heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.
K0852	Power wheelchair, group 3 very heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.
K0853	Power wheelchair, group 3 very heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.
K0854	Power wheelchair, group 3 extra heavy duty, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 601 pounds or more.
K0855	Power wheelchair, group 3 extra heavy duty, captains chair, patient weight capacity 601 pounds or more.
K0856	Power wheelchair, group 3 standard, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0857	Power wheelchair, group 3 standard, single power option, captains chair, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0858	Power wheelchair, group 3 heavy duty, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight 301 to 450 pounds.
K0859	Power wheelchair, group 3 heavy duty, single power option, captains chair, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.

TABLE 5—FINAL MASTER LIST OF DMEPOS ITEMS SUBJECT TO FREQUENT UNNECESSARY UTILIZATION FOR PRIOR AUTHORIZATION—Continued

[Items added to the proposed Master List are bolded and italicized]

HCPCS	Description
K0860	Power wheelchair, group 3 very heavy duty, single power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.
K0861	Power wheelchair, group 3 standard, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity up to and including 300 pounds.
K0862	Power wheelchair, group 3 heavy duty, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 301 to 450 pounds.
K0863	Power wheelchair, group 3 very heavy duty, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 451 to 600 pounds.
K0864	Power wheelchair, group 3 extra heavy duty, multiple power option, sling/solid seat/back, patient weight capacity 601 pounds or more.
L5010	Partial foot, molded socket, ankle height, with toe filler.
L5020	Partial foot, molded socket, tibial tubercle height, with toe filler.
L5050	Ankle, symes, molded socket, sach foot.
L5060	Ankle, symes, metal frame, molded leather socket, articulated ankle/foot.
L5100	Below knee, molded socket, shin, sach foot.
L5105	Below knee, plastic socket, joints and thigh lacer, sach foot.
L5150	Knee disarticulation (or through knee), molded socket, external knee joints, shin, sach foot.
L5160	Knee disarticulation (or through knee), molded socket, bent knee configuration, external knee joints, shin, sach foot.
L5200	Above knee, molded socket, single axis constant friction knee, shin, sach foot.
L5210	Above knee, short prosthesis, no knee joint ('stubbies'), with foot blocks, no ankle joints, each.
L5220	Above knee, short prosthesis, no knee joint ('stubbies'), with articulated ankle/foot, dynamically aligned, each.
L5230	Above knee, for proximal femoral focal deficiency, constant friction knee, shin, sach foot.
L5250	Hip disarticulation, canadian type; molded socket, hip joint, single axis constant friction knee, shin, sach foot.
L5270	Hip disarticulation, tilt table type; molded socket, locking hip joint, single axis constant friction knee, shin, sach foot.
L5280	Hemipelvectomy, canadian type; molded socket, hip joint, single axis constant friction knee, shin, sach foot.
L5301	Below knee, molded socket, shin, sach foot, endoskeletal system.
L5312	Knee disarticulation (or through knee), molded socket, single axis knee, pylon, sach foot, endoskeletal system.
L5321	Above knee, molded socket, open end, sach foot, endoskeletal system, single axis knee.
L5331	Hip disarticulation, canadian type, molded socket, endoskeletal system, hip joint, single axis knee, sach foot.
L5341	Hemipelvectomy, canadian type, molded socket, endoskeletal system, hip joint, single axis knee, sach foot.
L5400	Immediate post surgical or early fitting, application of initial rigid dressing, including fitting, alignment, suspension, and one cast change, below knee.
L5420	Immediate post surgical or early fitting, application of initial rigid dressing, including fitting, alignment and suspension and one cast change 'ak' or knee disarticulation.
L5500	Initial, below knee 'ptb' type socket, non-alignable system, pylon, no cover, sach foot, plaster socket, direct formed.
L5505	Initial, above knee—knee disarticulation, ischial level socket, non-alignable system, pylon, no cover, sach foot, plaster socket, direct formed.
L5510	Preparatory, below knee 'ptb' type socket, non-alignable system, pylon, no cover, sach foot, plaster socket, molded to model.
L5520	Preparatory, below knee 'ptb' type socket, non-alignable system, pylon, no cover, sach foot, thermoplastic or equal, direct formed.
L5530	Preparatory, below knee 'ptb' type socket, non-alignable system, pylon, no cover, sach foot, thermoplastic or equal, molded to model.
L5535	Preparatory, below knee 'ptb' type socket, non-alignable system, no cover, sach foot, prefabricated, adjustable open end socket.
L5540	Preparatory, below knee 'ptb' type socket, non-alignable system, pylon, no cover, sach foot, laminated socket, molded to model.
L5560	Preparatory, above knee—knee disarticulation, ischial level socket, non-alignable system, pylon, no cover, sach foot, plaster socket, molded to model.
L5570	Preparatory, above knee—knee disarticulation, ischial level socket, non-alignable system, pylon, no cover, sach foot, thermoplastic or equal, direct formed.
L5580	Preparatory, above knee—knee disarticulation ischial level socket, non-alignable system, pylon, no cover, sach foot, thermoplastic or equal, molded to model.
L5585	Preparatory, above knee—knee disarticulation, ischial level socket, non-alignable system, pylon, no cover, sach foot, prefabricated adjustable open end socket.
L5590	Preparatory, above knee—knee disarticulation ischial level socket, non-alignable system, pylon no cover, sach foot, laminated socket, molded to model.
L5595	Preparatory, hip disarticulation-hemipelvectomy, pylon, no cover, sach foot, thermoplastic or equal, molded to patient model.
L5600	Preparatory, hip disarticulation-hemipelvectomy, pylon, no cover, sach foot, laminated socket, molded to patient model.
L5610	Addition to lower extremity, endoskeletal system, above knee, hydracadence system.
L5611	Addition to lower extremity, endoskeletal system, above knee—knee disarticulation, 4 bar linkage, with friction swing phase control.
L5613	Addition to lower extremity, endoskeletal system, above knee—knee disarticulation, 4 bar linkage, with hydraulic swing phase control.
L5614	Addition to lower extremity, exoskeletal system, above knee—knee disarticulation, 4 bar linkage, with pneumatic swing phase control.
L5616	Addition to lower extremity, endoskeletal system, above knee, universal multiplex system, friction swing phase control.
L5639	Addition to lower extremity, below knee, wood socket.
L5643	Addition to lower extremity, hip disarticulation, flexible inner socket, external frame.
L5649	Addition to lower extremity, ischial containment/narrow m-l socket.
L5651	Addition to lower extremity, above knee, flexible inner socket, external frame.
L5681	Addition to lower extremity, below knee/above knee, custom fabricated socket insert for congenital or atypical traumatic amputee, silicone gel, elastomeric or equal, for use with or without locking mechanism, initial only (for other than initial, use code l5673 or l5679).

TABLE 5—FINAL MASTER LIST OF DMEPOS ITEMS SUBJECT TO FREQUENT UNNECESSARY UTILIZATION FOR PRIOR AUTHORIZATION—Continued

[Items added to the proposed Master List are bolded and italicized]

HCPCS	Description
L5683	Addition to lower extremity, below knee/above knee, custom fabricated socket insert for other than congenital or atypical traumatic amputee, silicone gel, elastomeric or equal, for use with or without locking mechanism, initial only (for other than initial, use code l5673 or l5679).
L5700	Replacement, socket, below knee, molded to patient model.
L5701	Replacement, socket, above knee/knee disarticulation, including attachment plate, molded to patient model.
L5702	Replacement, socket, hip disarticulation, including hip joint, molded to patient model.
L5703	Ankle, symes, molded to patient model, socket without solid ankle cushion heel (sach) foot, replacement only.
L5707	Custom shaped protective cover, hip disarticulation.
L5724	Addition, exoskeletal knee-shin system, single axis, fluid swing phase control.
L5726	Addition, exoskeletal knee-shin system, single axis, external joints fluid swing phase control.
L5728	Addition, exoskeletal knee-shin system, single axis, fluid swing and stance phase control.
L5780	Addition, exoskeletal knee-shin system, single axis, pneumatic/hydra pneumatic swing phase control.
L5781	Addition to lower limb prosthesis, vacuum pump, residual limb volume management and moisture evacuation system.
L5782	Addition to lower limb prosthesis, vacuum pump, residual limb volume management and moisture evacuation system, heavy duty.
L5795	Addition, exoskeletal system, hip disarticulation, ultra-light material (titanium, carbon fiber or equal).
L5814	Addition, endoskeletal knee-shin system, polycentric, hydraulic swing phase control, mechanical stance phase lock.
L5818	Addition, endoskeletal knee-shin system, polycentric, friction swing, and stance phase control.
L5822	Addition, endoskeletal knee-shin system, single axis, pneumatic swing, friction stance phase control.
L5824	Addition, endoskeletal knee-shin system, single axis, fluid swing phase control.
L5826	Addition, endoskeletal knee-shin system, single axis, hydraulic swing phase control, with miniature high activity frame.
L5828	Addition, endoskeletal knee-shin system, single axis, fluid swing and stance phase control.
L5830	Addition, endoskeletal knee-shin system, single axis, pneumatic/swing phase control.
L5840	Addition, endoskeletal knee/shin system, 4-bar linkage or multiaxial, pneumatic swing phase control.
L5845	Addition, endoskeletal, knee-shin system, stance flexion feature, adjustable.
L5848	Addition to endoskeletal knee-shin system, fluid stance extension, dampening feature, with or without adjustability.
L5856	Addition to lower extremity prosthesis, endoskeletal knee-shin system, microprocessor control feature, swing and stance phase, includes electronic sensor(s), any type.
L5857	Addition to lower extremity prosthesis, endoskeletal knee-shin system, microprocessor control feature, swing phase only, includes electronic sensor(s), any type.
L5858	Addition to lower extremity prosthesis, endoskeletal knee shin system, microprocessor control feature, stance phase only, includes electronic sensor(s), any type.
L5930	Addition, endoskeletal system, high activity knee control frame.
L5960	Addition, endoskeletal system, hip disarticulation, ultra-light material (titanium, carbon fiber or equal).
L5964	Addition, endoskeletal system, above knee, flexible protective outer surface covering system.
L5966	Addition, endoskeletal system, hip disarticulation, flexible protective outer surface covering system.
L5968	Addition to lower limb prosthesis, multiaxial ankle with swing phase active dorsiflexion feature.
L5973	Endoskeletal ankle foot system, microprocessor controlled feature, dorsiflexion and/or plantar flexion control, includes power source.
L5979	All lower extremity prosthesis, multi-axial ankle, dynamic response foot, one piece system.
L5980	All lower extremity prostheses, flex foot system.
L5981	All lower extremity prostheses, flex-walk system or equal.
L5987	All lower extremity prosthesis, shank foot system with vertical loading pylon.
L5988	Addition to lower limb prosthesis, vertical shock reducing pylon feature.
L5990	Addition to lower extremity prosthesis, user adjustable heel height.

In addition, we are finalizing our proposal to notify the public annually of any additions and deletions from the Master List by posting the notification in the **Federal Register** and on the CMS Prior Authorization Web site as described in § 414.234(b)(2). We are also finalizing our proposal to suspend or cease prior authorization for the entire list or individual items at any time as described in § 414.234(f)(1).

D. Process for Selecting Items From the Master List To Be Subject to the Prior Authorization Program

In the May 28, 2014 proposed rule (79 FR 30519), we stated that an item's presence on the Master List would not automatically require prior authorization. We proposed implementing the prior authorization program by limiting the number of items from the Master List that would be subject to prior authorization. We stated that by implementing prior authorization for a subset of Master List items, we would minimize provider and supplier burden while safeguarding the Medicare program. This subset of Master List items is hereafter referred to as the ''Required Prior Authorization List'' as described in § 414.234 (c). We proposed that we would inform the public of the Required Prior Authorization List in the **Federal Register** with 60-day notice before implementation.

Additionally, we proposed a prior authorization program for eligible items that may be implemented nationally or locally. For example, we noted that OIG and GAO reports and the CERT DME and/or DMEPOS Service Specific Report(s) often include regional data, and we proposed that we could elect to limit the prior authorization requirement to a particular region of the country if claims data show that unnecessary utilization of the selected item(s) is concentrated in a particular region. Alternately, we proposed that we may elect to implement prior authorization nationally if claims data show that unnecessary utilization of the selected item(s) is widespread and