



AMERICAN ORTHOTIC & PROSTHETIC ASSOCIATION

In Case you Missed It:**TWICE-MONTHLY RECAP**

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Renewed RAC Activity Reported

AOPA Reminds you to Challenge ADR Requests Above Legal Limits

AOPA has recently received reports of increased RAC activity focusing on the provision of ankle foot orthoses, especially in Jurisdiction A and Jurisdiction D. While the existing RAC contractors have been authorized to begin new audits for some time now, pending the competition for and award of the single, national DMEPOS RAC contract, these reports represent the first significant RAC activity focused on O&P providers since the re-authorization took place. AOPA reminds members that current regulations limit the number of ADR requests for suppliers to 10% of all claims submitted for the previous calendar year, divided into eight periods, each period representing 45 days. In addition, for suppliers who bill under specialty codes identifying them as O&P providers (51, 52, 53, 55, 56, or 57) the limit on ADR requests is capped at 10 ADR requests every 45 days, per Tax ID. If you receive additional requests above these limits, make sure to challenge them. Contact AOPA for more information.

Pre-Payment Review Results for Ankle Foot Orthoses, Knee Orthoses, and Spinal Orthoses

High Denial Rates Ranging from 69-99%

Noridian, who serves as the Jurisdiction D DME MAC, has released the most recent quarterly results of its ongoing pre-payment review of claims for several codes: AFOs described by HCPCS codes L1960, L1970 and L4360; knee orthosis L1833; and spinal orthoses described by HCPCS codes L0631 and L0637. [Read all of the results.](#)

AOPA Updates its Joint Statement on Physical Characteristics of Orthopedic Shoe Inserts

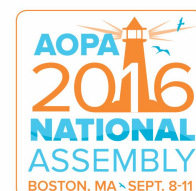
Interpretation of L3000, 3010, 3020, 3030

In 2013, AOPA, in conjunction with the American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA) and the Pedorthic Footcare Association (PFA), developed a joint statement on the interpretation of HCPCS codes L3000, L3010, L3020, and L3030. The joint statement was presented to AOPA leadership at the time and was approved for publication. On May 13, 2016 a follow up meeting of the three organizations was held and a slight revision to the joint statement was proposed with the understanding that the leadership of the three organizations would have the opportunity to review and approve the revised document. The revised statement has been reviewed and approved by AOPA leadership. [Read the statement.](#)

The 2016 Preliminary Program is Available

Preview the Sessions at the Assembly Sept 8-11, 2016 in Boston, MA

The exciting line-up includes sessions on Osseointegration Research, Treating "O" More Like "P", the Boston Strong Grand Rounds, Shared Decision Making, and much more. Participate in events like Expo Day, the Technical Fabrication Contest, and the Women's Leadership Forum and Luncheon. [Preview the Preliminary Program Now.](#)



Final Coding & Billing Seminar of 2016 Announced

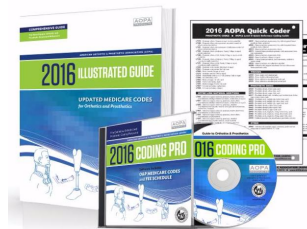
2 Day Event; Discounts for AOPA Members

Join AOPA November 14-15 in Las Vegas. Don't miss this opportunity to get the most up-to-date information to advance your O&P practitioners' and billing staff's coding knowledge. Join AOPA for this 2 day event, where you will earn 14 CEs and catch up on all the hot topics. [Learn more and register.](#)

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Deep Discounts for AOPA Members

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