



In Case you Missed It:

# TWICE-MONTHLY RECAP

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## AFO/KAFO Policy Has Been Revised

Mostly clerical changes

The DME MACs recently released a series of revisions to the AFO/KAFO Medicare medical policy with an effective date of 01/01/17. The revisions were predominantly clerical (e.g. include language associated with the 21 Century Cures Act and updating the list of off-the-shelf/custom fitted braces) and should not have a direct effect on your coding, billing and medical necessity determinations. In addition the revised policy now states in writing that walking boots (L4360, L4361, L4386 or L4387) are all inclusive and may not be billed with any other add-on codes.

## April is Limb Loss Awareness Month

Visit the [Amputee Coalition](#) for information about Hill Day (April 16-17), Limb Loss awareness messaging for social media, and other suggested activities to support Limb Loss Awareness.



## Opportunities for Clinical O&P Research Support from AOPA - April 30th Deadline

5 RFPs including 4 Orthotics 2020 topics

AOPA has announced 5 Requests for Proposals for separate research grants. As part of AOPA's Orthotics 2020 initiative, we are committed to making a major leap forward in clinical research that can answer some of the most important and profound issues about Orthotics. AOPA, together with its many partners among O&P manufacturers, patient care companies, and others entities committed to an evidence-driven future for O&P, will be funding one grant for each topic below in amounts of up to \$60,000-\$75,000, varying by topic- see each RFP for the specifics of the grant. In partnership with the Center for O&P Learning & Evidence-Based Practice (COPL), AOPA is accepting applications for pilot grants for up to \$15,000-\$30,000 for ten O&P topics, including an open topic (multiple grants will be funded). [See the grant topics.](#)

## Join AOPA in Leipzig, Germany May 15-18 at OT World

Largest O&P Exhibition in the World

Consider joining AOPA in Leipzig, Germany May 15-18 for the largest exhibition in the world dedicated to orthotics and prosthetics. AOPA is co-hosting the U.S. Pavilion with Kallman and Associates. The Pavilion will provide AOPA supplier members with an interpreter, refreshments and a comfortable meeting place. Should you have questions about exhibiting please contact Mark Alt, Vice President of International Events, Kallman Associates at (201) 652-7070, ext 111 or email [mark@kallmanexpo.com](mailto:mark@kallmanexpo.com).

If you'd like to learn more about OT World visit [www.ot-world.com](http://www.ot-world.com)



## Plan your Assembly Travel to include an Alaska Cruise

Pre-show Alaska cruises available starting at \$1164 per person

AOPA has some pre-show Alaska Cruise options for Assembly attendees so check one off the bucket list! Fly to Vancouver, take a 7 day cruise from the Vancouver harbor, just blocks from the Convention Center, then return and enjoy the Assembly. [Learn more and start planning.](#)



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A promotional banner for the AOPA National Assembly 2018. The banner features a red and yellow background with a mountain range at the bottom. It includes the text "THE PREMIER MEETING FOR ORTHOTIC, PROSTHETIC, AND PEDORTHIC PROFESSIONALS." at the top, the "AOPA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY 2018" logo on the left, and "PASSPORT to INNOVATION SEPT. 26-29 | VANCOUVER | CANADA" in the center. A vertical hashtag "#AOPA2018" is on the right, and a Twitter icon is at the bottom right.