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## **To ADP-Registered Sleep Clinics:**

The Ministry of Health conducted a review of the Assistive Devices Program (ADP) approved prices for positive airway pressure (PAP) systems in response to the recommendations in the 2018 Annual Report from the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario.

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.

All Ontarians currently eligible for full coverage for the PAP system cost will continue to be fully covered. Ontarians who are required to pay the 25% co-payment will see their cost decrease.

The ADP Approved Prices will decrease for the following device categories, effective April 1, 2020:

- Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) systems price will decrease from \$860 to \$554, resulting in a \$77 decrease in a client's co-payment;
- Auto-titrating positive airway pressure (APAP) systems price will decrease from \$1020 to \$554, resulting in a \$117 decrease in a client's co-payment; and,
- Bi-level positive airway pressure (BPAP) systems price will decrease from \$1120 to \$950, resulting in a \$43 decrease in a client's co-payment.

The ADP has also 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.

The government will continue to work with our valued health care partners to ensure that this transition is implemented effectively, without affecting patient care.

If you have any questions regarding the change in prices for PAP systems, you can call the program directly at (416) 327-8804 or toll-free at 1-800-268-6021. You can also contact the program at <a href="mailto:adp@ontario.ca">adp@ontario.ca</a>.

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