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Re: Private Letter Ruling

Dear XXXXXXXXX,

#### Issues

- 1) Do the foot orthotics, braces, and splints Company furnishes to patients meet the definition of "durable medical equipment"?
- 2) Do the foot orthotics, braces, and splints Company furnishes to patients meet the definition of "mobility enhancing equipment"?
- 3) Are the drill bits and pins included in implant kits subject to tax or exempt because they are necessary for installation of the implant?

### **Conclusions**

- 1) See spreadsheet included in the ruling.
- 2) See spreadsheet included in the ruling.
- 3) The price for the pins is not subject to tax. The price for the drill bits is not subject to sales tax if the price is not separately stated from the implant and pins, but Company must pay use tax on the approximate price of the drill bits. The drill bits are subject to sales tax if its price is separately stated from the implant and pins.

# **Background**

Company is a medical facility that performs surgeries. Following a medical procedure, Company will sell foot orthotics, braces, splints and other medical equipment to patients for their recovery. Company would like to know if the sale of this equipment is exempt from Colorado sales and use taxes.

In addition, Company purchases implants from vendors for use in specific medical procedures. These implants come in kits that include drill bits and pins necessary for installation. The drill bits are used in the procedure and are discarded after completion because they are not reusable. Company is charged sales tax on the drill bits and pins but not on the implant as the vendor believes the implants qualify as "prosthetic devices." Company believes the drill bits and pins are part of the "prosthetic device" because they are required to fit the implant to the particular individual. Moreover, Company can purchase the implant only as part of a kit that includes the drill bit and pins.

#### **Discussion**

1. Orthotics, Braces, Splints and Other Medical Materials

Colorado levies sales and use tax on the sale or use of tangible personal property. However, sales and use of certain medical products are exempt. There are several exemptions related to the sale of orthotics, braces, splints and other medical materials: (1) medical supplies furnished to a patient as part of a licensed provider's professional service, (2) prosthetic devices, (3) mobility enhancing equipment, (4) durable medical equipment. We have provided a spreadsheet that identifies the product, states what, if any, exemption applies to the product, and notes regarding our determination.

a. Medical supplies furnished to a patient as part of a licensed provider's professional services.

Materials furnished to a patient as part of a licensed provider's professional services are exempt from sales and use tax.4 This exemption is quite broad and most of the products identified by Company can qualify under this exemption in appropriate circumstances. One requirement of this exemption is that the material be furnished to the patient. This requirement is intended to distinguish materials the licensed provider uses to perform professional services and those items that are used primarily by the patient as part of the licensed provider's professional services. An obvious example is an X-ray machine. The machine is used by the provider, not by the patient, and therefore does not fall under this exemption. Similarly, the lead bib worn by the patient is primarily used by provider and therefore not "furnished" to the patient, even though it is worn by the patient. In contrast, materials that leave the medical facility with the patient are generally materials furnished to a patient. Although the fact that the material leaves with the patient is generally sufficient to establish that the material was furnished to the patient, it is not necessary that the material leave the licensed provider's facility in order to qualify for this exemption. For example, topical antiseptics and pain relief administered to the patient at the provider's facility are generally viewed as furnished to a patient even though they may not "leave" the provider's office with the patient.

Moreover, a product must be provided to a patient as part of the licensed provider's professional services. For example, if a customer, who is not a patient of Company, purchases the knee brace, then Company is similar to any other retailer, such as

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> §§ 39-26-104(1)(a) and 202, C.R.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "License provider" means any person authorized to prescribe drugs under the provisions of Title 12, C.R.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See generally,§ 39-26-717, C.R.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> §39-26-717(1)(k), C.R.S.

Walgreens, and is not providing the knee brace as part of professional services. On the other hand, if Company provides professional services to a patient, such as surgery to repair knee cartilage damage, and, as a necessary part of the service, sells the brace to assist in the recovery of the surgery, the sale of the knee brace is exempt because it is provided as part of their professional services. Similarly, if Company performs knee surgery and the patient elects to purchase an orthopedic pillow for the patient's recurring neck pain (for which the patient is not seeing the provider), the sale of the pillow is unrelated to the professional service, and, therefore, the sale of the orthopedic pillow does not qualify under this exemption. Items marked as exempt under this exemption qualify only if they are sold as part of the professional services, they do not qualify for this exemption.

As is the case with all exemptions, and notwithstanding the broad scope of this exemption, we narrowly construe this exemption and apply it only when the product clearly falls within the requirements of the statute.

#### b. Prosthetic devices

As a general observation, we determined that most products do not qualify for the prosthetic device exemption. The principal issue here is whether the product is primarily intended to replace a body part or function (in which case it qualifies as a prosthetic device) or whether the product is primarily intended to be a therapeutic device that aids the treatment of an injury or disease or to prevent injury or disease. Therapeutic devices are generally used for a short duration whereas prosthetic devices are generally understood to be used on a permanent or semi-permanent basis. This distinction between prosthetic and therapeutic devices rests, in part, on the fact that in 2010 Colorado eliminated the therapeutic device exemption. Moreover, prosthetic devices are generally those that are customized for each patient. Products that are listed in the spreadsheet are not exempt as prosthetic devices primarily because they are designed for therapeutic purposes or are not designed for a particular patient. Finally, the Department will also consider whether the product is commonly understood to be a prosthetic device. For example, shoe inserts are excluded as prosthetic devices because they are not commonly understood to be prosthetics but, rather. to be orthopedic or therapeutic devices, although they, in some sense, can replace the function of a missing or defective body part.

# c. Mobility Enhancing Equipment

As in the case of the prosthetic device exemption, we determined that most products did not fall within this exemption. The principal issue here was whether the product clearly fell within this exemption or whether the product was too remotely related to mobility. The statute requires that the *primary* purpose of the item be to aid mobility. Most of the products' primary purpose was not to aid mobility but to aid in the healing and repair of the body.

For example, knee braces have some relationship to mobility in the sense that they are designed either to treat an injury that affects the patient's ability to walk or designed to prevent injury related to walking. However, the examples of mobility enhancing equipment

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Security Life & Accident Co. v. Heckers, 177 Colo. 455,495 P.2d 225, 226 (1972). Regional Transp. Dist. v. Charnes, 660 P.2d 24, 25 (Colo. App. 1982).

listed in statute include wheelchairs, scooters, and walking aids such as walkers, crutches, and canes. Notably absent from this list are knee braces, boot cradles, and shoe inserts. Although these items are related to mobility, their primary purpose is not commonly understood to aid mobility but, rather, to facilitate healing and to prevent further injury.

Products that are listed in the spreadsheet as qualifying under this exemption qualify only if they are purchased pursuant to a prescription.

# d. Durable Medical Equipment

Products that qualify for durable medical equipment cannot be worn in or on the body. Most, but not all, of the products we reviewed, were worn on the body and, therefore, did not qualify under this exemption. Items that are designed to withstand repeated use, dispensed pursuant to a prescription, and not worn in or on the body may qualify for this exemption.

## 2. Implant Kits

Joint implants generally qualify as exempt material furnished to a patient as part of a licensed provider's professional services. The implants in question are surgically implanted in patients and, thus, leave the doctor's office with the patient. In an analogous situation, we have determined that casts and splints, which are used to heal broken bones, fall within this exemption when they are furnished to the patient by physicians as part of a physician's professional service and the items leave the physician's office with the patient. For these reasons, we find that the implant is exempt as material furnished to a patient by a licensed provider as part of the provider's professional services to the patient.

The implants also qualify as a prosthetic device because they replace a missing or defective body part. They do not qualify as durable medical equipment because they are worn in the body, and they do not qualify for mobility enhancing equipment because they are not commonly understood to be of the same type of equipment contemplated by the statute.

Pins used to temporarily hold the implant in place are also exempt because they are furnished to the patient, much like a plaster cast or bandage is temporarily furnished to the patient while the body heals.

Drill bits do not qualify for the exemption of materials furnished to a patient by a licensed provider because the drill bits are primarily used by the licensed provider, much in the same way that an X-ray machine or scalpel is primarily used by the provider rather than furnished and used by the patient.

Company states that drill bits come as part of a kit with the purchase of the implant and pins. Company represents that the cost of the drill bit is a small fraction of the cost of the implant and pins. We have stated in other contexts that when a sale is a bundle of taxable and non-taxable items, the price of the taxable item is not separately stated, and the value of the

taxable item is small relative to the price of the entire package, then the retailer does not collect sales tax on the sale price but pays use tax on the taxable item.<sup>6</sup>

Therefore, if the price for the drill bit is separately stated, then Company shall pay sales tax when it acquires the drill bits from its supplier. Company does not collect sales tax on the drill bits if its price is listed on the patient invoice because Company is the consumer of the drill bits. If the price for the drill bits is not separately stated on the supplier's invoice, then Company does not pay sales tax, but Company must estimate the price to acquire a similar drill bit and report use tax calculated on that price.

#### **Miscellaneous**

This ruling applies only to sales and use taxes administered by the Department. Please note that the Department administers state and state-collected city and county sales taxes and special district sales and use taxes, but does not administer sales and use taxes for self-collected home rule cities and counties. You may wish to consult with local governments which administer their own sales or use taxes about the applicability of those taxes. Visit our web site at www.colorado.gov/revenue/tax for more information about state and local sales taxes

This ruling is premised on the assumption that Company has completely and accurately disclosed all material facts. The Department reserves the right, among others, to independently evaluate Company's representations. This ruling is null and void if any such representation is incorrect and has a material bearing on the conclusions reached in this ruling. This ruling is subject to modification or revocation in accordance to Department Rule 24-35-103.5.

Enclosed is a redacted version of this ruling. Pursuant to statute and regulation, this redacted version of the ruling will be made public within 60 days of the date of this letter. Please let me know in writing within that 60 day period whether you have any suggestions or concerns about this redacted version of the ruling.

Sincerely,

Office of Tax Policy Colorado Department of Revenue

Department General Information Letter GIL-09-004. You can find this and other letters at www.colorado.gov/revenue/tax > Tax Library > Rulings.

1=Durable Medical Equipment

2=Material furnished by physician

X3=Taxable unless sold to patient by licensed provider and patient leaves office with the product for continued use

4=Mobility Enhancing Equipment 5= Prosthetic Device

| Item Number | Description               | Exemption | Reasoning   |
|-------------|---------------------------|-----------|---|
|             |                           |           | This is not conisdered a Durable Medical Equipment because this harness is not used pursuant      |
| 920877      | Harness Cervical Visual   | Х3        | to a prescription and appears to be used with or without an illness or injury.                    |
|             |                           |           | This harness is worn on the body, therefore, it cannot qualify as a durable medical equipment.    |
|             | _                         |           | In addition, the primary purpose is not to aid in mobility, but correct hip dysplasia; therefore, |
|             |                           |           | it cannot be a mobility enhancing equipment. Lastly, it cannot be a prosthetic because it does    |
| JZZ5178     | Wheaton Harness           | Х3        | not replace a body part or function.  |
|             |                           |           | This harness is worn on the body, therefore, it cannot qualify as a durable medical equipment.    |
|             | ''                        | Ω.        | In addition, the primary purpose is not to aid in mobility, but correct hip dysplasia; therefore, |
|             | 1                         |           | it cannot be a mobility enhancing equipment. Lastly, it cannot be a prosthetic because it does    |
| JZZ51968    | Pavlik-Type Harness       | Х3        | not replace a body part or function.  |
| JPP66051    | Heelbo                    | Х3        |   |
|             |                           |           | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight          |
|             | 9                         |           | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've    |
|             |                           |           | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does notreplace a     |
| JPP6993     | Heel Life Leg Length Disc | Х3        | body part of function and is not designed to fit a particular individual.                         |
|             |                           |           | These don't appear to be furnished to the patient because it appears that these are borth         |
| 95-789      | Heel Protector Aligel     |           | applied and removed by the physican.  |
|             |                           |           | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight          |
|             |                           |           | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've    |
|             | Insole Accommodator       |           | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or       |
| JPP6810     | Freedom                   | хз        | replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.              |
| 317 0020    |                           |           |   |
|             |                           |           | This is not amobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared    |
|             |                           |           | from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is  |
|             |                           |           | not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a      |
| PF6000S     | Arch Binder               | Х3        | body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.                        |

| HP-DC      | Dancer Pads                     | Х3 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we'ver ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.   |
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| SI10206    | Digital Cap                     | Х3 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we'veruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.   |
| SI1006     | Digital Pad                     | X3 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.  |
| PF6027S    | Forefoot Compr. Sleeve          | X3 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we'ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.   |
| PF8154T-SL | Hammer Toe Crest                | Х3 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we'ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.   |
| HP-33      | Heel Pad                        | Х3 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we'ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.  This does not appear to serve a medical purpose, and client does not need to have an inju- |
| APT4430U   | Knee Drsg. Compression 24" Str. | Х3 | or illness to require the compression dressing; therefore, the individual is not conisdered patient but a client because there is no medical purpose.   |

|                   |                                   |          | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|--|
| APCH-S            | Knee Strap, Cho-Pat               | Х3       | but to heal and repair the body.   |
| LR22420<br>SI1085 | Longitudinal Arch Pad Mesh Tubing | X3<br>X3 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual. |
| 311083            | INCSH TUBING                      |          |  |
| HP-MM             | Metatarsal Pads                   | Х3       | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual. |
| AM5178S           | Pavlik/Wheaton Harness            | Х3       | This harness is worn on the body, therefore, it cannot qualify as a durable medical equipmen In addition, the primary purpose is not to aid in mobility, but correct hip dysplasia; therefore, it cannot be a mobility enhancing equipment. Lastly, it cannot be a prosthetic because it does not replace a body part or function.                                       |
| HP-PW             | Posting Heal Wedge                | Х3       | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual. |
| LA10-2222         | Stack Finger Splint               | Х3       |  |
| DA-TAS            | Toe Alginment System              | Х3       | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility, but to heal and repair the body.  |
| PR8130M           | Toe Separator                     | Х3       | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility, but to heal and repair the body.  |
| GV1-L             | Galveston Metacarpal Brace        | Х3       |  |
| PF8155            | Hammer Toe Splint, Bilateral      | Х3       | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility, but to heal and repair the body.  |

| SR4200S                          | Insole, Diabetic Tri-Lam    | . X3                                  | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual. |
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| 3K42UU3                          | insole, Diabetic III-Lain   | \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ | replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular marviadar.  |
| HP-LW3                           | Medial Lateral Heel Wedge   | X3                                    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual. |
| HP-LVV3                          | Ivieulai Laterai Heer Weuge |                                       | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility  |
| PF6003LL                         | Sesamoid Relief Sleeve      | X3                                    | but to heal and repair the body.   |
| DR9007-00                        | Sling & Swathe, Pediatric   | X3                                    | but to flear and repair the body.  |
| DN3007-00                        | Sing & Swattle, Fediatric   | Α5                                    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility  |
| SI1152                           | Toe Spreader                | Х3                                    | but to heal and repair the body.   |
| 11011102070701                   | MalleoTrain                 | X3                                    |  |
| 11011051070005                   | AchilloTrain Pro            | Х3                                    |  |
| 12063501080000                   | EpiPoint Titan              | Х3                                    |  |
| 13017201000501<br>12013031080600 | ViscoSpot<br>Airloc Titan   | X3<br>X3                              | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual. |
| 13017001000001                   | ViscoHeel                   | X3                                    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual. |
| 13017001000001                   | VISCOLIEEL                  |                                       | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility  |
| EK061000                         | G3, Cool                    | Х3                                    | but to heal and repair the body.   |
| LIGOTOO                          | 55, 555.                    | 1                                     | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely   |
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|                     |                               |    | This is not mobility enhacning equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
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| AE606 (various)     | Support, Knee                 | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.   |
|                     |                               |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| AE026100            | T-Chek w/ Wrist               | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                     |                               |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| WA040101 or 201     | Universal Thumb Lacer         | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                     |                               |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
| AL185007BB          | Wee Walker                    | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.   |
|                     | Wrist Lacer / Universal Wrist |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| SA800105 / WA010101 | Lacer                         | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                     |                               |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| 7250                | Elbow Post Op Tscope Sng Reg  | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                     |                               |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| 7714                | Post Op Tscope                | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                     |                               |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| 8503                | Slingshot                     | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                     |                               |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| 72819-61            | ACTM Comfort Arm Sling        | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                     |                               |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
| 72819-11            | ACTM Genu Eco Knee Immob      | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.   |
|                     |                               |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| 72859-02            | Actimove Sling & Swathe       | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
| -                   | Actimove Talocase Air Ankle   |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
| 7308815             | Brace                         | X3 | but to heal and repair the body.   |
| i i                 |                               |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| 28-502204           | Cradle Arm Sling              | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                     |                               |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
| 37-103 (varies)     | Nec Pat Stab Safe-T-Sport     | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.   |
|                     |                               |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
| 37-250 (varies)     | Safe T Sport Lat J Kn Stab.   | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.   |
|                     |                               |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| 62353               | Specialist Hum f/o w/ Deltoid | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
| 24605-020           | Heelbo Heal/Elbow             | Х3 |  |
| 7000-035            | Protector Large White Heel    | Х3 |  |

| 1079-0000       | Allegiance Bariatic Walker Adj | 4  |  |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|----|--|
| 1044-0000       | Allegiance Walker Folding Adju | 4  |  |
| 79-95130        | Achilles Wedge                 | Х3 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual. |
| 02BR            | Ankle Brace                    | Х3 | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility, but to heal and repair the body.  This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely  |
| 79-85007        | Clavicle Splint                | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
| 79-85015        | Claicle Strap                  | Х3 | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely aids in the healing of the body part.   |
| 79-84101        | Deluxe Shoulder Immob          | Х3 | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely aids in the healing of the body part.   |
| 11-1003-2-06000 | DonJoy Elbow Guard             | Х3 | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely aids in the healing of the body part.   |
| 11-0558-3       | Drytex, Playmaker              | Х3 | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility, but to heal and repair the body.  |
| 79-83014        | Form Fit Cervical Collar       | Х3 |  |
| 79-99133        | Healthcare Bear Armsling       | Х3 | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely aids in the healing of the body part.   |
| 08A-B           | Infrapatellar Band             | Х3 | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility, but to heal and repair the body.  |
| 11-0181-4-13066 | Irom Elbow                     | Х3 | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely aids in the healing of the body part.   |
| 11-0398-9-00000 | Kit, Flexion Stop              | Х3 | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility, but to heal and repair the body.  |
| 79-81317        | Lace-Up Ankle Brance           | Х3 | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility, but to heal and repair the body.  |
| 79-95325        | Maxtrax Walker                 | X3 | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility, but to heal and repair the body.  |
| 01P-P           | Pneumatic Walker, Pediatric    | Х3 | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility, but to heal and repair the body.  |

|                  |                              |    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight                        |
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|                  |                              |    | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've                  |
|                  |                              |    | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or                     |
| 79-72275         | Pro Heel Cups                | Х3 | replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.                            |
|                  |                              |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,                    |
| 02DL             | Sport Stirrup                | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.  |
|                  |                              |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,                    |
| 79-81352         | Stablizing Ankle Support     | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.  |
|                  |                              |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely                  |
| 11-0449-3-06000  | Ultrasling                   | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.   |
|                  |                              |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,                    |
| 79-81330         | Universal Ankle Brace        | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.  |
|                  |                              |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely                  |
| 220-42-1111      | Wrist Brace                  | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.   |
|                  |                              |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely                  |
| 11-9121          | X-Act Rom Elbow              | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.   |
|                  |                              |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,                    |
| 01P-M            | XP Walker                    | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.  |
|                  |                              |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,                    |
| 37-250 (various) | Safe-T Sport Lat J Knee Stab | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.  |
|                  |                              |    |   |
|                  |                              |    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight                        |
|                  |                              |    | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've                  |
|                  |                              |    | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or                     |
| DC               | Dancer Pads                  | Х3 | replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.                            |
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| 114/             | Madial / Lataral Hool Dad    | Va | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or                     |
| LW               | Medial / Lateral Heel Pad    | Х3 | replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.                            |

| Μ                 | Metatarsal Pad             | Х3 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual. |
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|                   |                            |    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight   |
|                   |                            |    | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've   |
|                   |                            |    | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or  |
| PW                | Posting Heal Wedge         | Х3 | replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.   |
| M                 |                            |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely   |
| 434               | Suede Lacing Wrist         | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                   |                            |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely   |
| 3835              | Neoprene Elbow Sleeve      | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                   |                            |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
| 24100             | Neoprene Knee Sleeve       | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.   |
|                   |                            |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely   |
| 3814              | Neoprene Wristlet          | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                   |                            |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely   |
| 455               | Titan Thumb                | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                   | 12                         |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
| 3671              | Pat Stab Med/Lat           | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.   |
|                   | 0                          |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
| 24105             | 2-4-1 Meoprene Knee Sleeve | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.   |
| 762928 / 196-9963 | Walker, Dual Folding Adlt  | 4  |  |
|                   |                            |    |  |
|                   |                            |    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight   |
|                   |                            |    | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've   |
|                   |                            |    | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or  |
| 56481             | Arch Binder                | Х3 | replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.   |
|                   |                            |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
| 76593             | Darco Med-Surg Shoe        | Х3 | but to heal and repair the body.   |

|                   |  |    | This is not mobility enhancing equipment because its primary purpose is not to aid mobility,   |
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|                   |  |    | but to heal and repair the body, and is not a prosthetic because it is not fitted to fit a   |
| 81212             | Peg-Assist Insole Kit                          | Х3 | particular individaual and doesn't replace a body part or function.  |
| 84733             | Superfeet Green Max Shock<br>Absorb Insole     | Х3 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual. |
| 31373             | Toe Crest                                      | Х3 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual. |
| 24255             |  | V2 | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or  |
| 31366             | 3-Layer Toe Separator                          | Х3 | replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.   |
|                   | Comfort Cool Thumb CMC                         | V2 | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely   |
| NC79558           | Restriction Splint                             | X3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  This is not a prosthetic device because the underlying understanding of this product is not   |
|                   | Custome Orthotics for Dr.<br>Hecker's patients | Х3 | commonly understood to be a prosthetic device. One could argue that it aids a function, but an individual can perform without an orthotic.   |
| 5530-08 (various) | Invacare Blue Release Walker                   | 4  |  |
| 81572460          | Carpal Lift                                    | Х3 | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely aids in the healing of the body part.   |
| 013/2400          | Days Bariatric Two-Button                      |    | and in the healing of the body part.   |
| 08-156-1653       | Walker   | 4  |  |
|                   |  |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely   |
| A918-LM           | Freedom Arthritis Supp Left                    | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
| 7697              | Line Guides                                    | Х3 | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely aids in the healing of the body part.   |

|                |                              |    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight           |
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|                |                              |    | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've     |
|                |                              |    | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or        |
| 55002106       | Longitudinal Arch Pads       | Х3 | replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.               |
|                |                              |    | This appears to become part of the splint, so if the splint is sold to the patient by the physica  |
| A8072          | Outrigger Line Connectors    | Х3 | it is exempt.  |
|                |                              |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely     |
| A619062        | Roluan Wrist Support Left    | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                |                              |    | This appears to become part of the splint, so if the splint is sold to the patient by the physica  |
| 7767           | Speedy Rivets, small, 100    | Х3 | it is exempt.  |
|                |                              |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely     |
| A525-70-2      | Static Prog Fing Ext Splt    | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                |                              |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely     |
| 7798           | Sup-R Soft Finger Slings     | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                |                              |    | This appears to become part of the splint, so if the splint is sold to the patient by the physical |
| 7698           | Wing Nuts                    | Х3 | it is exempt.  |
|                | Elbow Splint Pv/Kodel        |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely     |
| 0 0 999        | Buckle/Velc Cls              | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                | L/S Support 10" Wh Mesh/Elas |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely     |
| 0 0 446        | Velcro Cls                   | X3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                | P-Op-Ct Compression Knee     |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely     |
| 01229GEL-2-FAB | Wrap                         | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                | 14                           |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely     |
| 0 1460         | Shoulder Immobilizer         | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|                |                              |    | This harness is worn on the body, therefore, it cannot qualify as a durable medical equipment      |
|                |                              |    | In addition, the primary purpose is not to aid in mobility, but correct hip dysplasia; therefore   |
|                |                              |    | it cannot be a mobility enhancing equipment. Lastly, it cannot be a prosthetic because it do       |
| cruiser        | Cruiser Hip Abduction Brace  | Х3 | not replace a body part or function.   |
|                |                              |    | This is not a mobility enhacning equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight           |
|                |                              |    | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've     |
|                |                              |    | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or        |
|                | Custome Foot Orthotic        |    | replace a body part of function.   |

|           | =                            |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
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| 4102      | Sher Anterior Night Splint   | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|           |                              |    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight       |
|           |                              |    | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've |
|           |                              |    | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or    |
| 4200      | Tri-laminate Diabetic Insole |    | replace a body part of function.   |
|           |                              |    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight       |
|           |                              |    | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've |
|           |                              |    | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or    |
| 4400      | Sherform Bi-laminate         |    | replace a body part of function.   |
|           |                              |    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight       |
|           |                              |    | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've |
|           |                              |    | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or    |
| 462(size) | Dress Shell                  |    | replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.           |
|           |                              |    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight       |
|           |                              |    | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've |
|           | Dress Shells with Metatarsal |    | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or    |
| 470       | Pads                         |    | replace a body part of function, and is not designed to fit a particular individual.           |
|           |                              |    | This is not a mobility enhancing equipment because it is not a substitute for the weight       |
|           |                              |    | beared from the legs. This strikes us as more closely alligned with a shoe insert, which we've |
|           |                              |    | ruled is not eligible for an exemption as a prosthetic device because it is does not aid or    |
|           | Green Insoles - (letter)     |    | replace a body part of function.   |
|           |                              |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| 1500      | Canvas Cast Shoe             | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |
|           |                              |    | This is not a prosthetic device because it does not replace a body part or function. It merely |
| 1511      | Equinus Cast Shoe            | Х3 | aids in the healing of the body part.  |