

Augmentative Communication Device

Also known as	<div>1. Computerized communication device</div> <div>2. Dynavox</div> <div>3. Speech generating device</div>				
Description	Speech generating device, synthesized speech, permitting multiple methods of message formulation and multiple methods of device access.				
See also	<div>Similar, related, or easily confused documents.</div> <div><div><div></div><div>DME Grid</div><div>- Numeric DME grid to check codes.</div></div><div><div></div><div>Fast ForWord Speech Therapy Software</div><div>- This software is an application used to improve speech sound discrimination and recognition skills.</div></div><div><div></div><div>Speech Therapy</div><div>- Treatment of speech and communication disorders, which may include physical exercises to strengthen the muscles used in speech (oral-motor work), speech drills to improve clarity or sound production practice to improve articulation..</div></div></div>				
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Commercial

Introduction

This section applies to all Commercial brands: Dean Health Plan (DHP), Mayo Medical Plan (MMP), Medica (including MHPS), and Prevea360.

Benefits (all except MMP)

Not covered.

Mayo Medical Plan (MMP)

Coverage depends on the type of device. Refer to the table below.

Item	Coverage
Communication board, non-electronic	• Not covered.
Electronic speech device	• Quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.
Electronic speech device - mounting device	• Quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.
Electronic speech device - other accessory	• Quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.
Speech generating software program	• Quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.

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Government Programs

Introduction	This section applies to all Medicaid and Medicare products.				
AccessAbility (SNBC), Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)	<p>Medicaid only groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Refer to Medicaid below. <p>Medicare eligible groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Must meet DHS Guidelines which includes:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Must be for the sole purpose of communicationA Speech Language Pathologist (SPL) must determine table and software most appropriate and cost effective for communication needs.If DHS guidelines are met, quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Eligible devices include: Apple iPad and Samsung Galaxy tablets.Ineligible devices include: Cell phones, smart phones, or laptops.Follows Medicare guidelines.Medicare is the primary payer.If no Medicare eligibility, Medicaid applies. Refer to Medicaid below.				
AccessAbility Enhanced (I-SNBC), DUAL (MSHO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Must meet DHS Guidelines which includes:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Must be for the sole purpose of communicationA Speech Language Pathologist (SPL) must determine table and software most appropriate and cost effective for communication needs.If DHS guidelines are met, quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Eligible devices include: Apple iPad and Samsung Galaxy tablets.Ineligible devices include: Cell phones, smart phones, or laptops.Medica is the only payer.				
Cost (Prime)	<p>Check for a Local Coverage Determination (LCD).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">If LCD guidelines are met, quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.Follows Medicare guidelines.				
Med Advantage	<p>Check for a Local Coverage Determination (LCD).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">If LCD guidelines are met, quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.Medica is the only payer.				
Med Supp (Select, Signature)	<p>Quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Follows Medicare guidelines.Medicare supplement.Medicare is the primary payer.				
Medicaid	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Must meet DHS Guidelines which includes:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Must be for the sole purpose of communicationA Speech Language Pathologist (SPL) must determine table and software most appropriate and cost effective for communication needs.If DHS guidelines are met, quote durable medical equipment (DME) benefits.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Eligible devices include: Apple iPad and Samsung Galaxy tablets.Ineligible devices include: Cell phones, smart phones, or laptops.				
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Individual and Family Business (IFB)

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Benefits	Not covered.					
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