



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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FLU VACCINATIONS

THE BEST WAY TO PROTECT AGAINST THE FLU IS TO GET VACCINATED EACH YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE U.S. CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION. THE "FLU SHOT" IS AN INACTIVATED VACCINE (CONTAINING KILLED VIRUS) THAT IS GIVEN WITH A NEEDLE. THE FLU SHOT IS APPROVED FOR USE IN PEOPLE OLDER THAN 6 MONTHS



ACCORDING TO THE CDC, ANTIBODIES THAT PROVIDE PROTECTION AGAINST INFLUENZA DEVELOP IN THE BODY IN ABOUT 2 WEEKS TIME FOLLOWING VACCINATION.



OCTOBER OR NOVEMBER IS THE BEST TIME TO GET VACCINATED, BUT YOU CAN STILL GET VACCINATED IN DECEMBER OR LATER. FLU SEASON CAN BEGIN AS EARLY AS OCTOBER AND LAST AS LATE AS MAY.



IF YOU HAVE FURTHER QUESTION, PLEASE GIVE US A CALL OR CONSULT WITH YOUR MEDICAL CARE PROVIDER.



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SIDE WALKER



How often can I replace my CPAP supplies?

Most insurance companies will allow the following:

Mask	1 every 3 months
Headgear	1 every 6 months
Tubing	1 every 3 months
Chinstrap	1 every 6 months
Disposable filter(s)	2 every 1 month
Non-disposable filter	1 every 6 months
Humidifier chamber	1 every 6 months

It is always best to verify with your insurance company as to how often they will cover/replace supplies for your CPAP.





Equipment Spotlight

OXYGEN IS NO LONGER COVERED????



Maag Prescription & Medical Supply has provided medical oxygen for over 50 years. Customers that utilize Medicare or a State Insurance company WILL see a new payment system beginning January 1, 2009. This will be a complicated system and will cause some confusion for our current customers and even us as professionals.



If you have been using oxygen for 36 continuous months prior to January 2009, some insurance companies will stop paying for the "RENT" which included maintenance, 24 hour service, all the supplies needed and portable systems.

The new payment system is still being determined by our Federal Government. Currently we are told that Service, Supplies, and Tanks will be billed on an each basis. This will be new for the whole United States, and we will try to make this a smooth process for everyone. If you have any further questions, contact our billing department or general manager.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU !



Greg Maag

Pharmacist

Team Member Since: 1969

Department: Pharmacy

Responsibilities: Greg, as the owner, oversees the daily activities and professionalism at Maag Prescription and Medical Supply. Greg is trained in compounding prescriptions, and has taken several courses to advance his skills in preparation and mixture of I.V. medications. Everyday, Greg enjoys the opportunity to work with such great staff and the terrific customers.

When not working: Greg enjoys traveling with his family, camping, hunting, skiing, golfing, volunteering his time, and just being around great people.

Product Spotlight

Sidestepper Walker



\$ 69.50
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The Sidestepper Walker by Guardian is a high quality, dual-grip hemi walker that offers two grip levels ideal for walking or for assistance while in a sitting position. The walker features a Brite (silver) finish and is constructed of lightweight aluminum that's simple to use and adapt to. The walker frame is height adjustable for a custom fit. The Sidestepper Walker is lighter than a standard walker, but more stable than a quad cane. The lightweight construction - only 3.5 lbs - makes this folding walker very easy to lift and maneuver or travel with. We hope this helps give you some good ideas for your loved ones or for yourself to stay active, if you have any questions on this feel free to stop by or call. We will be happy to help you.