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Dear MDwise Hoosier Alliance Provider:

As part of our continuing efforts to ensure that MDwise Hoosier Alliance members are able to utilize the best in proven medical technology, we are pleased to announce that we are making the inCourage™ secretion clearance device available to all members diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis (CF). This takes effect January 1, 2011.

We are asking that providers prescribe the inCourage™ system to all Hoosier Healthwise and Healthy Indiana Plan Hoosier Alliance members diagnosed with CF. RespirTech's inCourage™ system is an FDA-approved, high-frequency chest compression (HFCC) airway clearance therapy. HFCC is recognized as the standard of care for CF patients and the inCourage™ system in particular is recognized as a state-of-the-art therapeutic tool.

According to *Respiratory Therapy* (April-May 2007):

“Physicians, providers and patients alike constantly seek improved therapies to maximize outcomes, improve quality of life and distribute care more equitably. HFCC technology has played a considerable role in advancing those goals. The most recent improvements, available in the inCourage System, have the potential to advance them further.”

If you need to order the inCourage™ device for one or more of your MDwise Hoosier Alliance CF patients, you'll need to contact RespirTech. Their number is 800-793-1261. You can also download a Prescription Form from their Web site: <http://www.respirtech.com/doctors/forms/index.php>. RespirTech will provide in-service training for your clinical staff and they can provide in-home and phone training for your patients.

To bill MDwise Hoosier Alliance for the inCourage™ device, please use one or more of the following applicable billing codes: E0483 nu (for the vest); E0483 rr (for rental of the equipment); and A7025 (for vest replacement).

If you have questions regarding this new therapy requirement for your MDwise Hoosier Alliance CF patients, please contact one of our Medical Management representatives at 888-961-3100.

Sincerely,

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