DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST FOR ENTERAL NUTRITION

Policy References:

- Local Coverage Determination (LCD): Enteral Nutrition (L38955)
- Local Coverage Article: Enteral Nutrition – Policy Article (A58833)

Documentation Reference:

- Standard Documentation Requirements Policy Article - A55426

The supplier must be able to provide all of these items on request:

- Standard Written Order (SWO)
- Beneficiary Authorization
- Proof of Delivery (POD)
- Refill Requirements
- Continued Need
- Continued Use
- Medical records from treating practitioner as noted below

Medical records should contain:

- Beneficiary has permanent impairment of long and indefinite duration
  - Full or partial non-function of the structures that normally permit food to reach the digestive tract; OR
  - Disease that impairs digestion/absorption of an oral diet by the small bowel
- Beneficiary requires enteral access device feeding to maintain weight and strength commensurate with overall health status
- Adequate nutrition must not be possible by dietary adjustment/oral supplements

- Enteral Infusion Pump (B9002)
- Gastrostomy/jejunostomy tube used for feeding
- Special Nutrient Formulas (B4149, B4153, B4154, B4155, B4157, B4161, B4162)
- Physician ordered the special nutrient
- Medical records document specific medical condition and unique need for the special nutrient

- Feeding Supply Allowance (B4034, B4035, B4036, B4148)
Feeding supply allowance corresponds to the method of administration

When a pump supply allowance (B4035) is provided, the medical necessity of the pump must be documented

Note: Supply kits are a daily allowance therefore refill requirements are not applicable (More than one unit of service (UOS) per day is not reasonable and necessary)

**Digestive Enzymes Cartridge (B4105)**

- Meet coverage criteria for enteral nutrition
- Diagnosis of Exocrine Pancreatic Insufficiency (EPI) (refer to Group 1 Codes in LCD)