

Alberta Health

AADL Approved Products List - Voice Restoration and Electrolarynx (VRE) Benefits

Effective November 23, 2020

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ELECTROLARYNX

An electrolarynx is an artificial larynx used for communication by individuals who have had their larynx removed. An electrolarynx may be provided only when the client is medically stable following surgery. For individuals who are not yet medically stable, the Authorizer should consider other options, such as a temporary loaner.

This benefit is provided following assessment by an AADL SLP Authorizer to ensure the individual is able to use the electrolarynx effectively. It is the client’s responsibility to provide daily care to maintain the equipment in good working order.

The A510 electrolarynx benefit is provided to individuals to use daily as their primary means of communication. A510 cannot be combined with other A700 Voice Restoration products: A700, A701, A705, A780.

The A515 electrolarynx benefit may be combined with A700 Voice Restoration products when deemed clinically necessary, following assessment by an AADL SLP Authorizer for this benefit area.

Catalogue No	Description of Benefit	Approved Canadian Vendor	Quantity & Frequency Limit	Price Maximum
A 510	Electrolarynx, primary	ATOS Medical	1 per 6 years	\$1500.00
	TruTone Emote, 2 year warranty			\$1,200.00
	TruTone SolaTone Plus, 3 year warranty			\$825.00
A 511	Electrolarynx primary, repair, A510 only, after warranty		1 per year	\$300.00
A515	Electrolarynx, secondary	AutoControl Medical	1 per 6 years	\$265.00
	Blom-Singer electrolarynx, 3 year warranty			

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COMMUNICATION PRODUCTS FOR TRACHESTOMIES

External speaking valves are provided to maintain communication health for people who have undergone a tracheostomy or use a ventilator and require a speaking valve for communication purposes.

Speaking valves are not supported by AADL for treatment purposes, such as when clients are being assessed for removal of the tracheotomy

A voice amplifier may be provided for children who have undergone a tracheostomy or use a ventilator. This benefit is available to support the communication needs of children up to age 18 years. An assessment and trial must be completed by an AADL SLP Authorizer to ensure effective use in educational and community settings.

It is the client/family’s responsibility to provide daily care to maintain all equipment in good working order.

Catalogue No	Description of Benefit	Quantity & Frequency Limit	Price Maximum
A600	External speaking valve Trachoe, or other external speaking valves of similar quality	4 per year	\$187.00
A610	Portable Voice Amplifier with Microphone	1 per 4 years No repairs	\$400.00

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VOICE RESTORATION AND RELATED LARYNGECTOMY PRODUCTS

Voice prostheses and laryngectomy products are provided to maintain communication health and provide voice restoration for people who have undergone a total laryngectomy. Products are selected by the AADL SLP Authorizer based on the client’s clinical needs.

It is the client/family’s responsibility to provide daily care to maintain products in good working order, as recommended by the AADL SLP Authorizer.

Catalogue No.	Description of Benefit	Quantity & Frequency Limit	Price Maximum
A700	Non-indwelling (NID) voice prosthesis:	10 per year	
	Provox NID		\$125.00
	BlomSinger Low Pressure Voice Prosthesis		\$119.00
	Duckbill Voice Prosthesis		\$76.00
A701	Indwelling voice prosthesis, standard	4 per year	
	BlomSinger Indwelling Voice Prosthesis NS		\$288.00
	BlomSinger Rapid Response Indwelling Voice Prosthesis Series		\$330.00
	Provox Vega Voice Prosthesis		\$300.00
A705	Indwelling voice prosthesis, specialized: <i>prior approval by AADL required</i>		
	Provox Vega XtraSeal		\$365.00
	BlomSinger Dual Valve, Dual Valve Large Flange		\$610.00
	Advantage Voice Prosthesis with Titanium ring, hard assembly		\$525.00
	Advantage Voice Prosthesis Non-Sterile, soft assembly		\$525.00

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A710	Heat-Moisture-Exchange (HME) filters, standard	12 boxes per year	
	BlomSinger Classic Flow (30)		\$110.00
	BlomSinger Easy Flow (30)		\$110.00
	Provox XtraMoist (30)		\$110.00
	Provox XtraFlow (30)		\$110.00
	BlomSinger Humidifier Foam Filter (30)		\$82.00
	Provox FreeHands Moist (30)		\$110.00
	Provox FreeHands Flow(30)		\$110.00
	BlomSinger Foam stoma protectors (30)		\$38.00
	Tracheofix stoma covers (30)		\$40.50
	BlomSinger Humidifier holder		\$74.00
	BlomSinger Humidifier foam filters		\$84.00
	BlomSinger Humidifier ATSV II cap + 7 filters		\$82.00
	Blomsinger Humidifier ATSV II cap foam filters		\$82.00
Buchanan Airway Protector, small, large (10)	\$110.00		
A715	Heat-Moisture-Exchange (HME) filters, specialized: prior approval by AADL required	12 boxes per year	
	Provox Micron (30)		\$285.00
	Provox Luna (30)		\$168.00
	HME HFS combination alternative: BlomSinger Humidifier ATSV II cap (\$82) plus ATSV II Humidifier cap foam filters (\$82) = 1		\$164.00
	HME combination alternative, non ATSV : BlomSinger Humidifier holder (\$74) plus Humidifier replacement foam filters (30) (\$84)		\$158.00
A720	HME Housing / baseplates, standard	12 boxes per year	
	BlomSinger Truseal Contour LP adhesive housing (30)		\$110.00
	Provox Flexiderm adhesive (20), round, oval		\$115.00
	Provox Flexiderm Plus adhesive (20)		\$125.00
	Kap Gel tracheostoma spacer (10)		\$92.00
	Tracho foam disks, standard, large (30)		\$35.00
A725	HME Housing / baseplates, specialized: prior approval by AADL required	12 boxes per year	
	Provox Optiderm adhesive round, oval (20)		\$202.00
	Provox Optiderm Plus adhesive (20)		\$210.00
	Provox XtraBase adhesive (20)		\$183.00
	Provox Luna Adhesive (15)		\$210.00
	Provox StabiliBase (15)		\$185.00
	BlomSinger Accufit adhesive housing (30)		\$172.00

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A730	Lary button	2 per year	
	Provox lary button		\$182.00
A735	Laryngectomy tube	2 per year	
	BlomSinger Laryngectomy tube non sterile		\$140.00
	BlomSinger Laryngectomy tube fenestrated		\$140.00
	BlomSinger Laryngectomy tube sterile		\$187.00
	Provox LaryTube standard		\$132.00
	Provox LaryTube fenestrated		\$155.00
	Provox LaryTube with ring		\$160.00
A740	Larytube ties/tube holders	12 per year	
	BlomSinger cloth strap		\$8.20
	Provox TubeHolder		\$15.00
A745	Puncture dilator	1 per year	
	Provox dilator		\$99.00
	BlomSinger dilator		\$134.00
A750	Valve/ Plug insert	1 per year	
	BlomSinger Indwelling plug insert		\$52.50
	Provox Vega plug		\$40.00
	Provox Xtra Flange	\$50.00	
A760	Shower cover	1 per year	
	Provox Shower Aid		\$52.00
	BlomSinger Nylon Shower collar		\$73.00
	Provox Luna Shower Aid		\$11.00
A765	Cloth/foam stoma covers	2 per year	
	Cloth stoma cover, black, navy, white*		*\$22.00

Note: *client will be responsible for paying the difference between the vendor list price and the AADL maximum price

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HANDS-FREE SPEAKING VALVE

A hands-free speaking option may be provided for individuals with a demonstrated need for this product. It is recognized that not all individuals may be suitable for a hands-free speaking option. Assessment by the AADL SLP Authorizer must include identifying suitable candidates for this product, following an equipment trial to ensure effective use in community and workplace settings, and provision of counselling on best practice use.

It is the client/family’s responsibility to provide daily care to maintain the product in good working order.

Catalogue No	Description of Benefit	Quantity & Frequency Limit	Price Maximum
A780	Free Hands FlexiVoice System Assessment and prior approval by AADL required	1 per 4 years	
	Provox FreeHands Flexivoice Set Plus: 1 set only		\$525.00
	Provox FreeHands Flexivoice Set: 1 set only		\$480.00
	BlomSinger ATSVII Valve Kit		\$490.00
	ATSV alternative HFS combination: ATSV II valve (body and diaphragm faceplate) (\$330) plus Humidifilter cap (\$82) = 1		\$412.00
	Provox HandsFree FlexiVoice, light, medium, strong, Xtra strong*		\$426.00

Note: *replacement item for individuals who have received the Freehands Flexivoice Set or Set Plus

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CANADIAN VENDOR LIST		
A500 products	A600 products	A700 products:
ATOS Canada, 0000 644656-001 AutoControl Medical, 0000 125491-001	Ontario Home Health, 0000 518698-001	ATOS Canada, 0000 644656-001 AutoControl Medical, 0000 125491-001

NOTE: All products provided by AADL must meet Health Canada regulations for medical devices (speaking valves, artificial larynx, laryngeal prosthesis)

<https://health-products.canada.ca/mdall-limh/index-eng.jsp>