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## Highlights from the 2016 National Assembly

Over 2200 Gathered in Boston from Sept 8-11

AOPA has cruised through another successful National Assembly - the 99th! The drum and fife band welcomed the crowd to Boston and helped us open the 100,000 sq. ft. Exhibit Hall of over 160 exhibitors. The Assembly featured the top-notch clinical and business education and memorable events that attendees have come to expect, with a few special additions this year. Attendees were treated to a "double header" of two keynote speakers, O&P Advocate Sen. Bob Kerrey and CNN Senior Political Analyst David Gergen, who both brought political insight during this election year. [See the recap.](#)

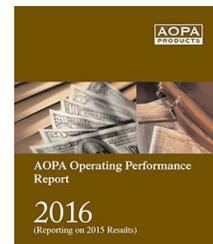


## AOPA Releases Results from Member Benchmarking Survey

Electronic Version: \$185 members/\$325 nonmembers

Are you curious about how your O&P business is performing compared to others? How does your spending on materials, advertising or other expenses compare with similar companies? Are your employees generating enough sales? Copies of the 2016 Operating Performance Report are now available to help you answer these questions.

The annual report provides a comprehensive financial profile of the O&P industry including balance sheet, income statement and payer information organized by total revenue size, community size, and profitability. Current and historical operating performance data will also be used to illuminate trends taking place in the O&P industry. [Order your Copy.](#)



## Join the Coding & Billing Experts in Las Vegas

Discounts for AOPA members

Join AOPA November 14-15 in Las Vegas to advance your O&P practitioners' and billing staff's coding knowledge. Join AOPA for this 2 day event, where you will earn 14 CEs and get up-to-date on all the hot topics. [Learn more and register.](#)



## DME MAC Billing Reminder: Miscellaneous Codes

Celebrating 30 Year Anniversary

The DME MACs recently released a joint billing reminder informing suppliers of what information must be included with any claim containing a miscellaneous/unspecified/not otherwise classified

(NOC) codes; these codes include the L0999, L1499, L2999, L3649, L3999, A5507, A6549, L5999, L7499, L8039 and L8499.

When billing for the above codes you must include the following information:

- Concise description of the item or service
- Manufacturer name
- Product name and number
- Supplier Price List (PL) amount
- HCPCS code of related item (if applicable)

Claims billed with miscellaneous codes without this information will be denied for missing/incomplete/invalid information, and in certain instances the claim will not even be adjudicated and will be rejected. If a denial or rejection occurs you will need to resubmit the claim with the missing information. AOPA is currently seeking clarification on certain aspects of the announcement and will keep members posted on its findings.

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