# Denied (Not a Covered Benefit)

Referral # 4116377935

**Referral Information** 

Referral # Creation Date Referral Status Status Update

4116377935 01/16/2025 Denied 01/16/2025: Status History

Status Reason Referral Type Referral Reasons Referral Class

Not a Covered Benefit DME/P&O Provide Outgoing DME/appliance/Brace/supplies

only

To Location/Place of

To Specialty To Provider Service To Department To POS Type
Durable Medical Lacey, Bellevue BELLEVUE none Home

Equipment Healthcare HEALTHCARE-LACEY

By Location/Place of

To Vendor Referred By Service By Department none Hu, Andrew, DPM OLYMPIA MEDICAL OLY PODIATRY

CENTER

Priority Start Date Expiration Date Referral Entered By Urgent 01/16/2025 01/16/2025 Hu, Andrew, DPM

Visits Requested Visits Authorized Visits Completed Visits Scheduled

**Procedure Information** 

WITHOUT WHEELS, EACH

**Service Details** 

Procedure Modifiers Revenue Code Provider Requested Approved

<del>DME0056 - REF DME</del> none <del>none</del> 0 0

**CRUTCHES** 

E0118 - CRUTCH RR none 2 (1/Month x 0 SUBSTITUTE, LOWER LEG 2)

SUBSTITUTE, LOWER LEG PLATFORM, WITH OR

## **Diagnosis Information**

Diagnosis

M14.671 (ICD-10-CM) - Charcot joint of right foot

E11.42, Z79.4 (ICD-10-CM) - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic polyneuropathy, with long-term current use of insulin

<b>■</b> Referral I	Notes			Number of Notes: 9
Type External Provider Referral Letter	Date 01/16/2025 9:51 AM	User Vandenbosch, Kati Ilene	Summary Auto: 19525-KPWA RFL MESSAGE TEXT	Attachment  Document on 1/16/2025 9:51 AM by Vandenbosch, Kati Ilene: Referral Notification Document
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Note:

Andrew Hu, DPM 700 Lilly Rd NE Olympia, WA 98506 THURSTON UNITED STATES

360-923-7779

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External 01/16/2025 Vandenbosch, Auto: 440046-KPWA RFL MEDICARE NDMC

Provider 9:51 AM Kati Ilene FIRST LEVEL AUTOMATED PRV

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January 16, 2025

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Andrew Hu, DPM 700 Lilly Rd NE Olympia WA 98506

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## **Notice of Denial of Medical Coverage**

Date: January 16, 2025 Member ID Number: 03805085

Name: Duane L Anderson Reference Number: 4116377935

**Date of Birth:** 12/19/1957

## Your request was denied

We've denied the medical service/item listed below requested by you or your doctor:

Procedure	Procedure	Requested	Procedure Type	Modifiers	Revenue Code	Revenue Code
Name	Code	Quantity				Name
CRUTCH SUBSTITUTE, LOWER*		2 (1/Month x 2)	HCPCS	RR	N/A	N/A

Referred to:

BELLEVUE HEALTHCARE-LACEY 4500 PACIFIC AVE SE LACEY WA 98503

Provider Specialty: Durable Medical Equipment

## Why did we deny your request?

We denied the medical service/item listed above because this service/item is specifically listed as not covered per Medicare either for your specific condition or for any condition. As a result, we are unable to approve coverage of this request.

This decision is based on Noridian Policies - E0118 - Crutch Substitute. As of May 4, 2017, the Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Medicare Administrative Contractors (MAC) reviewed information about equipment billed with code E0118, and have determined it to remain a noncovered device due to a lack of published clinical literature demonstrating safety and effectiveness.

You should share a copy of this decision with your doctor so you and your doctor can discuss next steps. If your doctor requested coverage on your behalf, we have sent a copy of this decision to your doctor.

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You have the right to ask Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Washington ("Kaiser Permanente") Medicare Advantage (HMO) to review our decision by asking us for an appeal.

**Plan Appeal:** Ask Kaiser Permanente for an appeal within **60 days** of the date of this notice. We can give you more time if you have a good reason for missing the deadline. See section titled "How to ask for an appeal with Kaiser Permanente" for information on how to ask for a plan level appeal.

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cc: Bellevue Healthcare-lacey
Andrew Hu
BELLEVUE HEALTHCARE LACEY
Duane L Anderson

## **Important Information About Your Appeal Rights**

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Step 2: Mail, fax, or deliver your appeal.

For a Standard Appeal: Mailing Address: Medicare Member Appeals

PO Box 34593

Seattle, WA 98124-1593

Fax: 206-630-1859

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Note:

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Provide free aids and services to people with disabilities to help ensure effective communication, such as:

- Qualified sign language interpreters
- Written information in other formats (large print, audio, and accessible electronic formats)
- Assistive devices (magnifiers, Pocket Talkers, and other aids)

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- Information written in other languages

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If you believe that Kaiser Permanente has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity, you can file a grievance with our Civil Rights Coordinator by writing to P.O. Box 35191, Mail Stop: RCR-A3S-03, Seattle, WA 98124-5191 or calling Member Services at the number listed above. You can file a grievance by mail, phone, or online at kp.org/wa/feedback. If you need help filing a grievance, our Civil Rights Coordinator is available to help you.

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- The Washington State Office of the Insurance Commissioner, electronically through the Office of the Insurance Commissioner Complaint portal available at ttps://www.insurance.wa.gov/file-complaint-or-check-your-complaint-status, or by phone at 800-562-6900, 360-586-0241 (TDD). Complaint forms are available at https://fortress.wa.gov/oic/onlineservices/cc/pub/complaintinformation.aspx

#### **English**

ATTENTION: If you speak English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call **1-888-901-4636** (TTY: **711**).

#### Chinese

注意: 如果您使用繁體中文, 您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電

1-888-901-4636 (TTY: 711) .

#### Vietnamese

CHÚ Ý: Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 1-888-901-4636 (TTY: **711**).

#### Korean

주의: 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. **1-888-901-4636** (TTY: **711**) 번으로 전화해 주십시오.

#### Russian

ВНИМАНИЕ: если вы говорите на русском языке, то вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода. Звоните **1-888-901-4636** (ТТҮ: **711**).

#### **Tagalog**

PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa **1-888-901-4636** (TTY: **711**).

#### Ukrainian

УВАГА! Якщо ви розмовляєте українською мовою, ви можете звернутися до безкоштовної служби мовної підтримки. Телефонуйте за номером 1-888-901-4636 (ТТҮ: 711).

#### **Khmer**

ប្រយ័ត្ន៖ បើសិនជាអ្នកនិយាយ ភាសាខ្មែរ, សេវាជំនួយផ្នែកភាសា ដោយមិនគិតឈ្នួល គឺអាចមានសំរាប់ បំរើអ្នក។ ចូរ ទូរស័ព្ទ 1-888-901-4636 (TTY: 711)។

#### **Japanese**

注意事項: 日本語を話される場合、無料の言語支援をご利用いただけます。

**1-888-901-4636 (TTY: 711**) まで、お電話にてご連絡ください。

#### **Amharic**

ማስታወሻ: የሚናንሩት ቋንቋ ኣማርኛ ከሆነ የትርንም እርዳታ ድርጅቶች፣ በነጻ ሊያማዝዎት ተዘ*ጋ*ጀተዋል፡ ወደ ሚከተለው ቁጥር ይደውሉ **1-888-901-4636** (TTY: **711**).

#### Oromo

XIYYEEFFANNAA: Afaan dubbattu Oroomiffa, tajaajila gargaarsa afaanii, kanfaltiidhaan ala, ni argama. Bilbilaa **1-888-901-4636** (TTY: **711**).

#### **Punjabi**

ਧਿਆਨ ਦਿਓ: ਜੇ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਬੋਲਦੇ ਹੋ, ਤਾਂ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਸੇਵਾ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਲਈ ਮੁਫਤ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹੈ। 1-888-901-4636 (TTY: **711**) 'ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ।

#### **Arabic**

ملحوظة :إذا كنت تتحدث العربية، فإن خدمات المساعدة اللغوية تتوافر لك بالمجان .اتصل برقم TTY).

#### German

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#### Lao

ໂປດຊາບ: ຖ້າວ່າ ທ່ານເວົ້າພາສາ ລາວ, ການບໍລິການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອດ້ານພາສາ, ໂດຍບໍ່ເສັງຄ່າ, ແມ່ນມີພ້ອມໃຫ້ທ່ານ. ໂທຣ **1-888-901-4636** (TTY: **711**).

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RS Letter 01/16/2025 Hu, Andrew, Auto: 29150-KPWA RFL DME COINSURANCE -

Comments 9:36 AM DPM

Note:

DME Patient Coinsurance = 25%, deductible may apply when claim is received.

Type Date User Summary Attachment

Provider 01/16/2025 Hu, Andrew, Provider Comments -

Comments 9:36 AM DPM

Note:

Enter other order details here: need knee scooter. Charcot foot. Cant be WB

Wt Readings from Last 1 Encounters: 01/14/25 : (!) 330 lb 6.4 oz (149.9 kg)

Ht Readings from Last 1 Encounters:

06/29/24 : 6' 3.98" (1.93 m)

#### **Referral Order**

Order

REF DME CRUTCHES (Order # 472833208) on 01/16/2025

Questionnaire		
Referral Quality Issues		
Other (please describe)		
What type of service is being	None of the Above	
requested?		
Type of Request		
What is being ordered?		
Has the patient been diagnosed with		
an infection or injury of the perineal		
area and the sitz bath is part of a		
planned regimen of home care		
treatment?		
Is the patient confined to a bed?		
What type of brace is being ordered?		
Select the device being ordered:		
Does the patient have a nonunion of a		
long bone fracture defined as		
radiographic evidence that fracture		
healing has ceased for three or more		
months prior to starting treatment		
with the osteogenesis stimulator?		
Does the patient have a failed fusion		
of a joint other than in the spine where a minimum of nine months has		
elapsed since the last surgery?		
Does the patient have congenital		
pseudarthrosis?		
Has the patient had a failed spinal		
fusion where a minimum of nine		
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surgery?		
Has the patient had a multilevel spinal		
fusion surgery?		
Has the patient had a failed spinal		
fusion surgery where there is a history		
of a previously failed spinal fusion at		
the same site?		
Does the patient have a nonunion		
fracture and a minimum of 2 sets of		
radiographs prior to treatment with		
the osteogenesis stimulator?		
Are the radiographs separated by a min of 90 days with each including		
multiple views of the fracture site, and		
has a written interpretation stating no		
clinically significant evidence of		
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ideison, Duane L (Mitti 03003003)
fracture healing between the two sets or radiographs?
Is the fracture at a site other than the
skull or vertebrae?
Is the fracture not related to a tumor?
Has the patient had a total knee
replacement?
Is this device being prescribed for use,
nor more than two days from the surgery date and for no longer than 3
weeks post surgery?
Is this being prescribed for treatment
of contractures?
Has the patient had a recent injury or
surgery that requires both medial and
lateral rotation control?
Does the patient have documented
knee instability/joint laxity?
What device is being ordered?  Does the patient have weakness or
deformity of the foot and ankle?
Does the patient require stabilization
for medical reasons?
Does the patient have the potential to
benefit functionally?
Does the patient require knee stability?
Does the patient have plantar flexion
contracture of the ankle with
dorsiflexion on passive range of motion testing of at least 10 degrees?
Is there a reasonable expectation of
the ability to correct the contracture?
Is the contracture interfering or
expected to interfere significantly with
the patient's functional abilities?
Is this going to be used as a
component of a therapy program
which includes active stretching of the involved muscles and/or tendons?
Does the patient have plantar fasciitis?
Does the patient have weakness or
deformity of the knee that requires
stabilization?
Has the patient had a recent injury to
or a surgical procedure on the knee?
Is the patient ambulatory and has knee instability?
Is the examination of the patient's joint
laxity documented?
Does the patient have flexion or extension contractures of the knee
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with movement on passive range of motion testing of at least 10 degrees? Is the need for a custom fabricated orthosis instead of a prefabricated orthosis documented? Is this to reduce pain by restricting mobility of the trunk? Is this to facilitate healing following an injury to the spine or related soft tissues? Is this to facilitate healing following a surgical procedure on the spine or related soft tissue? Is this to support weak spinal muscles and/or deformed spine? Has the patient had a mastectomy? Has the patient had breast reconstruction? Does the patient have a mastectomy form or silicone (or equal) breast prosthesis? Does the patient have a mastectomy form? Will the external breast prosthesis garment be used in the post-operative period prior to a permanent breast prosthesis or will it be used as an alternative to a mastectomy bra and breast prosthesis? Does the member have a mobility limitation that significantly impairs their ability to participate in one or more mobility-related activities of daily living (MRADL) in the home? Will the functional mobility deficit be sufficiently resolved by the use of the cane or crutch, and is the patient able to safely use a cane or crutch? Does the patient have a documented episode of ventricular fibrillation or a sustained, lasting 30 seconds or longer, ventricular tachyarrhythmia? Does the patient have familial or inherited conditions with a high risk of life-threatening ventricular tachyarrhythmia such as long QT syndrome or hypertrophic cardiomyopathy? Does the patient have either documented prior myocardial infarction or dilated cardiomyopathy and a measured left ventricular

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ejection fraction less than or equal to 0.35?	
Does the patient need to have a	
previously implanted defibrillator	
explanted?	
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Does the patient have a diagnosis of	
Diabetes Mellitus?	
Within the last 6 months, has the	
patient had an in-person, video, or	
telephone visit with a physician, NP, or	
PA to evaluate their diabetes control?	
Has the patient's treating practitioner	
concluded the patient (or the patient's	
caregiver) has training using the	
particular device prescribed as	
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evidenced by providing a prescription	
for the appropriate supplies and	
frequency of blood glucose testing?	
Is the patient insulin treated?	
Does the patient have recurrent (more	
than one) level 2 hypoglycemic events	
(glucose <54mg/dL (3.0mmol/L)) that	
persist despite multiple (more than	
one) attempts to adjust medication(s)	
and/or modify the diabetes treatment	
plan?	
Does the patient have a history of one	
level 3 hypoglycemic event (glucose	
<54mg/dL (3.0mmol/L)) characterized	
by altered mental and/or physical state	
requiring third-party assistance for	
treatment of hypoglycemia	
Is the patient physically incapable of	
utilizing a regular toilet for at least one	
of the following situations: 1)	
confined to a single room, 2)	
confined to one level where there is	
no toilet, or 3) the home has no toilet	
facility?	
Bilateral or Lateral?	
Will the compression burn garment be	
used to treat hypertrophic scarring and	
joint contractures following a burn	
injury?	
Is this being requested to treat a	
wound caused by or treated by a	
surgical procedure or following a	
debridement or open venous stasis	
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ulcer?	
For non-surgical wounds, was any type	
of debridement (surgical, enzymatic,	
mechanical, biological, autolytic) ever	
performed on this wound?	

Select all that apply for the members condition that this item is being requested for: Member has venous or lymphatic condition, as indicated by 1 or more of the following: CPAP or BIPAP request? Does the patient have any of the following? (Hover for info) Has the diagnosis been confirmed by polysomnography, either during an inpatient hospital visit or sleep lab, or was OSA suspected at the time of discharge? Does the patient use on average 4 hours per night for a minimum of 70% of nights? Has there been a re-evaluation by the treating provider within 30-90 days from the initial request with documentation that includes symptoms of OSA are improved; and evidence of adherence to use of the device? What is being ordered? Is there record of the patient's need for a pump (i.e. gravity feeding is not satisfactory due to reflux or aspiration, severe diarrhea, dumping syndrome, administration rate less than 100 ml/hr, glucose fluctuations, gastrostomy/jejunostomy tube used)? What is the Administration/Delivery Method? Does the patient have full or partial non-function or disease of the structures that normally permit food to reach the small bowel, that will last at least 3 months? Does the patient have a disease that impairs digestion and/or absorption of an oral diet, directly or indirectly, by the small bowel, that will last at least 3 months? Does the patient's medical record include documentation stating why a standard formula cannot be used? What type of Device or Supply is being ordered? Does the patient have a covered cochlear implant or a bone-anchored hearing aid (BAHA)?

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Is this request for convenience or to upgrade to a newer technology?
Is the current component obsolete or no longer supported?
Is the current component no longer
meeting the patient's needs?
Has the patient had a formal
evaluation of their cognitive and communication abilities by a speech-
language pathologist (SLP)?
Does the patient's medical condition
result in a severe expressive speech
impairment?
Can the patient's speaking needs be met using natural communication
methods?
Have other forms of treatment been
considered and ruled out?
Will the patient's speech impairment benefit from the speech generating
device?
Does the treating practitioner have a
copy of the SLP's written evaluation
and recommendation?
Does the patient have an absence or shrinkage of an eye due to a birth
defect, trauma, or surgical removal?
Has the patient had more than 2 eye
polishing services within this year?
What is being ordered?
Is the patient using a covered insulin pump?
Does the patient vhave Diabetes Mellitus?
Does the patient have C-Peptide level
<110% (or has renal insufficiency w/C-
peptide level <200%) & fasting sugar
drawn at the same time <225 mg/dl?  Does the patient have a positive Beta
cell autoantibody test?
Has the patient completed
comprehensive diabetes education
program, multiple daily insulin injections (3/day), frequent self-
adjustments of insulin dose for at least
6 months, has documented glucose
self-testing at least 4x/day during the
2 months prior?  Does the patient have HbA1c>7%, or
history of recurring hypoglycemia, or
wide fluctuations in blood glucose
before mealtime, or "Dawn

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phenomenon" w/fasting blood sugars frequently >200mg/dL, or history of
sever glycemic excursions?
Has the patient been on an insulin pump prior to enrollment with plan and has documented frequency of glucose self-testing at least 4x/day (on average) during the month prior to enrollment?
Does the patient have a medical condition that requires positioning of the body in ways not feasible with an ordinary bed due to pain, CHF, or
chronic pulmonary disease?  Does the patient have aspiration problems requiring head of bed elevation >30 degrees and have a
need for frequent changes in body positions, and/or an immediate need for a change in body position?
Does the patient require traction equipment requiring attachment to a hospital bed?
Are Hospital Bed accessories or a replacement mattress needed?
Type of Accessories:
Is this being provided for a patient- owned Hospital Bed?
Does the patient require a trapeze to sit up because of a respiratory condition, to change body positions for other medical reasons, or to get in and out of bed?
Does the patient have a condition that requires a safety enclosure that would be an integral part of a hospital bed?
Is a bed cradle needed to prevent the patient from having contact with the bed coverings?
Does the patient have a condition that requires bed rails?
Is the patient confined to a bed?
Does the patient's condition require a replacement mattress?
Is this request for a Negative Pressure Wound Therapy pump or supplies?
Does the patient have a chronic stage 3 or 4 pressure ulcer, a neuropathic ulcer, venous or arterial insufficiency ulcer, or a chronic (being present for at least 30 days) ulcer of mixed etiology?
Has the patient been appropriately turned and positioned, and has used a

group 2 or 3 support surface, and has had their moisture and incontinence appropriately managed? Has the patient been on a comprehensive diabetic management program and has reduction in pressure on a foot ulcer been accomplished? Has the patient had compression badages and/or garments cosistnetly applied and have leg elevation and ambulation been encouraged? Has wound therapy, with documented eval, care, & wound measurement by a medical professional, dressings to maintain a moist wound area, debridement of necrotic tissue, & provisions for adequate nutritional status been tried or considered & ruled out? Does the patient have an ulcer or wound found in an inpatient setting, and after wound treatments have been tried or considered & ruled out. Negative Pressure Wound Therapy is used because the treating practitioner determines it is the best treatment? Does the patient have complications of a surgically created wound or a traumatic wound where there is documentation of medical necessity for an accelerated formation of granular tissue which cannot be achieved by other available topical wound treatments? Is the patient currently using a **Negative Pressure Would Therapy** pump? Does the patient have angina pectoris in the absence of hypoxemia, dyspnea without cor pulmonale or the evidence of hypoxemia, severe peripheral vascular disease resulting in clinically evident desaturation in one or more extremities but the in absence of systemic hypoxemia, or a terminal illness that does not affect the ability to breathe?

The patient had a qualifying blood gas, performed by a treating practitioner or qualified provider during the patient's illness or within 2 days of discharge from a hospital (documented) & the provision of oxygen, in the home setting, will improve the condition? Does the patient have an arterial PO2 at or below 55 mm Hg or an arterial oxygen sat at or below 88% taken at rest (awake) while breathing room air? Does the patient have an arterial PO2 at or below 55 mm Hg, or an arterial oxygen sat at or below 88 %, taken during sleep for a patient who demonstrates an arterial PO2 at or above 56 mm Hg or an arterial oxygen sat at or above 89% while awake. Does the patient have a decrease in arterial PO2 more than 10 mm Hg, or a decrease in arterial oxygen sat more than 5% from baseline sat, taken during sleep and associated with symptoms of hypoxemia? Does the patient have an arterial PO2 at or below 55 mm Hg or an arterial oxygen sat at or below 88%, taken during exercise for a patient who demonstrates an arterial PO2 at or above 56 mm Hg or an arterial oxygen sat at or above 89% while at rest? Does the patient have an arterial PO2 of 56-59 mm Hg or an arterial blood oxygen saturation of 89 percent? Does the patient have dependent edema suggesting CHF, pulmonary hypertension or cor pulmonale, determined by measure of pulmonary artery pressure, gated blood pool scan, echocardiogram, or "P" pulmonale on EKG, or Erythrocythemia with a hematocrit > 56%? Does the patient have the absence of hypoxemia and a medical condition with distinct physiologic, cognitive, and/or functional symptoms documented in high-quality, peerreviewed literature to be improved by oxygen therapy? Oxygen Saturation or PaO2 level: Measurement: Date of oxygen saturation or PaO2 level measurement:

Testing Conditions:
Describe needed change:
Type of Pad or Mattress?
Is the patient completely immobile
(i.e., the member can't make changes
in the body position without
assistance?
Does the patient have limited mobility
(i.e., the member can't make changes
in body position significant enough to
alleviate pressure)?
Does the patient have one of these
conditions; impaired nutritional status,
fecal or urinary incontinence, altered
sensory perception, or compromised
circulatory status?
Does the patient have any stage
pressure ulcer on the trunk or pelvis?
Does the paitient have multiple stage
2 pressure ulcers located on the trunk
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or pelvis which have failed to improve
over the past month?
Has the patient been on an ulcer
treatment program including, a Group
1 support surface, assessment by a
licensend healthcare professional,
turning and positioning, wound care,
moisture/incontinence control,
nutritional assessment and
invtervention?
Does the patient have large or multiple
stage 3 or 4 pressure ulcer(s) on the
trunk or pelvis?
Has the patient had a myocutaneous
flap or skin graft for a pressure ulcer
on the trunk or pelvis in the past 60
days and has been on a Group 2 or 3
support surface immediately prior to
discharge from a hospital or nursing
facility in the past 30 days?
What type of Patient Lift or Transfer
Device is being ordered?
Does the patient need to be
transferred between a bed and a chair,
wheelchair or commode?
Without the use of a lift, would the
patient be conifined to a bed?
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Is this sling or seat being ordered as a
replacement for a covered lift?
Does the patient have severe arthritis
of the hip or knee or have a severe
neuromuscular disease?

Is the seat lift mechanism being prescribed to effect improvement, or arrest or retard deterioration in the patient's condition? Is the patient completely incapable of standing up from a regular armchair or any chair in their home? Once standing, does the patient have the ability to ambulate? Have all appropriate therapeutic modalities to enable the patient to transfer from a chair to a standing position been tried already? What type of Pneumatic Compression is being ordered? Does the patient have lymphedema? Does the patient meet one or more of the following criteria (Check all that apply) Is the patient's lymphedema documented to be unresponsive to other clinical treatment over the course of a required four-week trial? Does the patient have chronic venous insufficiency with venous stasis ulcers of the lower extremity? Does the patient have all of the following: edema in the affected lower extremity; one or more venous stasis ulcer(s); the ulcer(s) have failed to heal after a six-month trial of conservative therapy directed by the treating practitioner? Does the member have lymphedema extending onto the chest, trunk and/or abdomen that extends past the limits of a standard compression sleeve? Has the chest, trunk and/or abdominal lymphedema has failed to improve with a four-week trial? What is being ordered? Is this being ordered as a replacement piece to a covered wheelchair? Does the patient have a mobility limitation that limits their ability to participate in one or more MRADLs within the home and that limitation cannot be resolved with a cane or walker? Does the patient have sufficient upper extremity function to self propel a manual wheelchair in the home to perform MRADLs?

Has the patient had a face to face visit
in the last 6 months?
Is this being ordered for use with a covered brace?
Does the patient have chronic
obstructive lung disease, chronic
bronchitis, or emphysema?
Does the patient have a
neuromuscular disease?
Is the patient's condition causing a
significant impairment of chest wall
and/or diaphragmatic movement, such
that it results in an inability to clear
retained secretions?
Has the patient or caregiver received
appropriate training by a physician or
therapist?
Request Type:
Does the patient have Diabetes  Mellitus?
Does the patient have 1 or more of
these conditions; amputation of other
foot or partial of either foot, previous
foot ulceration, pre-ulcerative callus,
peripheral neuropathy with callus
formation, foot deformity, or poor circulation, either foot?
Has the patient had a face to face visit
with the provider managing their
diabetes care (and the members
conditions are documented in their
medical record), within 6 months of
this order?
Does the patient have a foot deformity
that cannot be accommodated by a
depth shoe?
Is this to be used as part of a covered
leg brace and is medically necessary
for the propoer functioning of the
brace?
Is this prosthesis being used by the
patient for treatment or rehab during
an inpatient stay?
Is this prosthesis reasonable and necessary for use by the patient in
their home setting?
Is this prosthesis being delivered to
the patient no more than 2 days prior
to a discharge from an inpatient stay,
or to a patient who is not currently
inpatient?
Does the patient use of a respiratory
suction pump to clear secretions?

Does the patient have a tracheostomy?
Is the patient on a ventilator?
Does the patient have an orthopedic
impairment requiring traction
equipment which prevents ambulation
during the period of use?
Does the patient have a
muskuloskeletal or neurological
impairment requiring cervical traction
equipment?
Has the patient had demonstration of
appropriate use of home cervical
traction device and tolerated use?
Does the patient meet one or more of
the following criteria (Check all that
apply)
Does the patient have neuromuscular
disease and chronic respiratory failure
consequent to chronic obstructive
pulmonary disease?
Does the patient have thoracic
restrictive diseases and chronic
respiratory failure consequent to
chronic obstructive pulmonary
disease?
Request Type?
Does the patient have a full thickness
wound, wound with light to moderate
exudate, or a wound that has stalled or
has not progressed toward a healing
goal?
Does the patient have a wound with
heavy exudate, a third dgree burn, or
active vasculitis?
Does the patient have a moderate to
highly exudative full thickness wound
or wound cavity?
Is the patient's wound covered with
eschar?
Is the gauze being used for dressing
changes no more than 3 times per day
for a dressing without a border and
once per day for a dressing with a
border?
Does the patient have a full thickness
wound with minimal or no exudate?
Does the patient have a stage 2 ulcer?
Does the patient have a wound with
light to moderate exudate?
Does the patient have an open, partial
thickness wound with minimal exudate
or a closed wound?

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Is this being used to hold wound cover dressings in place?
Is this patient currently receiving
Home Health Care?
Type of Walker or Gait Trainer?
Does the patient have a mobility
limitation that significantly impairs the
ability to participate in one or more
mobility-related activities of daily
living (MRADL), and will the deficit be
resolved by the use of the device, and
can the patient safely use the device?
Is the patient unable to use a standard
walker due to a severe neurologic
disorder or other condition causing
the restricted use of one hand?
Are Walker Accessories needed?
Type of Accessories:
Is this being provided for a patient -
owned walker?
Type of Request:
Can the patient's mobility limitation be
sufficiently resolved by the use of an
appropriately fitted cane or walker?
Does the patient's home provide
adequate access between rooms,
manuevering space, and surfaces for
use of a manual wheelchair?
Does the patient have a mobility
limitation that impairs their ability to
participate in mobility-related activities
of daily living (MRADLs) entirely?
Does the patient have a mobility
limitation that impairs their ability to
complete MRADLs in a reasonable time frame?
Does the patient have a mobility
limitation that impairs their ability to
participate in MRADLs and would put
them at heightened risk of morbidity
or mortality secondary to the attempts
to perform the MRADLs?
Will use of a manual wheelchair
significantly improve the patient's
ability to participate in MRADLs and
will they have expressed that they will
use it on a regular basis in the home?
Does the patient have sufficient upper
extremity function and other physical
and mental capabilities needed to
safely self-propel in a manual
wheelchair?

Does the patient have a caregiver who is available, willing, and able to provide assistance with the wheelchair? Does the patient require a lower seat height (17-18") because of short stature or to enable them to place their feet on the ground for propulsion? Is the patient able to self-propel in a lightweight wheelchair, but cannot in a standard wheelchair? Is the patient able to self-propel the wheelchair while engaging in frequent activities in the home that cannot be performed in a standard or lightweight wheelchair? Does the patient spend at least 2 hours per day in the wheelchair and require a seat width, depth, or height that cannot be accommodated in a standard or lightweight chair? Does the patient have severe spasticity? Does the patient have sufficient strength and postural stability to utilize a Rollabout chair? Has the patient had an evaluation performed by a licensed/certified medical professional (LCMP), who has specific training and experience in rehab wheelchair evaluations and that documents the medical necessity and it's special features? Is the wheelchair being provided by a Rehabilitative Technology Supplier that employs a RESNA-certified Assistive Technology Professional who specializes in wheelchairs and who has direct, in-person involvement in the chair selection for the patient? Place Of Delivery: Alternative Business Name: Alternative Address Line 1: Alternative Address Line 2: Alternative City: Alternative State: Alternative ZIP Code: Alternative Phone: Patient Height (in): Patient Weight (lbs): Ok to substitute an in network provider if the chosen referred to

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provider is not in the member's network?
Is this a retrospective request?
Name of Requestor:
Requestors Contact #: