FIRST STEP DME INC.

RX / MEDICAL NECESSITY FORM

PATIENT INFORMATION

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
MEADE	CHARLES	

GENDER	DATE OF BIRTH	PHONE NUMBER
MALE	11/29/1951	5164860336

ADDRESS	CITY	STATE & ZIPCODE
797 SALEM RD	UNIONDALE	NY 11553

SHIPPING METHOD:
☒ SHIP TO PATIENT'S HOME ADDRESS
☐ SHIP TO PATIENT'S PHYSICIAN CLINIC

INSURANCE INFORMATION

PRIMARY INSURANCE	SECONDARY INSURANCE
MEDICARE	
MEMBER ID	MEMBER ID
6W30V22EJ10	

PHYSICIAN INFORMATION

PHYSICIAN NAME	NPI #
NICHOLAS HALPER, MD	1912981317
	PHONE NUMBER: 5165362221
PRACTICE LOCATION: 55 MAPLE AVE STE 102 ROCKVILLE CENTRE NY 11570	FAX NUMBER: 5167648747

PRESCRIPTION SELECTION

- ☐ **L3670 –** Shoulder Brace (Side: ☐ L ☐ R) (Size:)
- ☐ **L3960 –** Shoulder Brace (Side: ☐ L ☐ R) (Size:)
- ☐ **L3660 –** Shoulder Brace (Side: ☐ L ☐ R) (Size:)
- ☐ **L0650 –** Lumbar Brace (Waist:)
- ☐ **L0642 –** Lumbar Brace (Waist:)
- ☐ **L0457 –** Lumbar Brace (Waist:)
- ☐ **L0648 –** Lumbar Brace (Waist:)
- ☐ **E0100** – Electric Heat Pad
- ☐ **L1690 –** Hip Brace (Side: ☐ L ☐ R) (Waist:)
- ☐ **L1686 –** Hip Brace (Side: ☐ L ☐ R) (Waist:)
- ☐ **L2624 –** Hip Joint Adjustable Flexion, Extension (Side: ☐ L ☐ R)
- ☐ **L3760 –** Elbow Brace (Side: ☐ L ☐ R)
- ☒ **L3761** – Elbow Brace (Side: ☒ L ☒ R) (Size: **MEDIUM**)
- ☒ **L3916** – Wrist Hand Finger (Side: ☒ L ☒ R) (Size: MEDIUM)
- ☐ **L3915** - Wrist Hand Finger (Side: ☐ L ☐ R) (Size:)
- ☐ **L1852 –** Knee Brace (Side: ☐ L ☐ R) (Size:)
- ☐ **L1851** – Knee Brace (Side: ☐ L ☐ R) (Size:)
- ☐ **L1833** – Knee Brace (Side: ☐ L ☐ R) (Size:)
- ☐ **L2397** – Knee Sleeve (Size:) (Qty:)
- ☐ **E0100** – Cane
- ☐ **L2425** – Dial Lock Hinge ROM
- ☐ **L2820** – Lower Extremity Ortho
- ☒ **L1906** – Ankle Brace (Side: ☒ L ☒ R) (Shoe Size: **9**)
- ☐ **L1971** – Ankle Brace (Side: ☐ L ☐ R) (Shoe Size:)
- ☐ **L0174** – Cervical Brace
- ☒ **L3170** – Heel Stabilizer (Side: ☒ L ☒ R)

MEDICAL INFORMATION

ICD 10 (Diagnosis Code(s)):

- ☐ M54.50- Low back pain, unspecified
- ☐ M17.12- Unilateral primary osteoarthritis left knee
- ☐ M17.11-Unilateral primary osteoarthritis right knee
- ☐ M25.512-Pain in the left shoulder
- ☐ M25.511-Pain in the right shoulder
- ☐ M25.552- Pain in Left Hip
- ☐ M25.551- Pain in Right Hip
- ☒ M25.532- Pain in left wrist
- ☒ M25.531 - Pain in right wrist
- ☒ M19.072- Osteoarthritis Left Ankle
- ☒ M19.071- Osteoarthritis Right Ankle
- ☒ M25.522 Pain in left elbow
- ☒ M25.521 Pain in right elbow
- ☐ M54.2-Cervicalgia Pain in Neck

Length of Need: ☒ 12+ months (long term) ☐ _____ # of months (1-11)

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MEDICAL HISTORY

Previous treatments: TAKING MEDICATION

Doctor's Notes: The patient reports chronic **LEFT ANKLE, RIGHT ANKLE, RIGHT ELBOW, LEFT ELBOW, RIGHT WRIST, LEFT WRIST** pain for **A YEAR**. Patient states pain is **ACHY, SHARP** with a pain scale of **8** and pain worsens with movements. Pain is caused by **ARTHRITIS** and is experienced **SOMETIMES**. Previous treatments with heat, ice and rest have been unsuccessful to control pain level.

PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE

Physician Verification: By my signature, I am prescribing the items listed above and certifying that the above-prescribed item(s) is medically indicated and necessary and consistent with current accepted standards of medical practice and treatment of this patient's physical condition.

PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE: _____ PHYSICIAN NAME: **NICHOLAS HALPER, MD** DATE: 08/13/2024

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Patient Name: **CHARLES MEADE**
Patient Address: **797 SALEM RD UNIONDALE NY 11553**
Patient Phone: **5164860336**

Physician Name: **NICHOLAS HALPER, MD**
Address: 55 MAPLE AVE STE 102 ROCKVILLE CENTRE NY 11570
Telephone: 5165362221
Fax: 5167648747

Patient: **CHARLES MEADE**
Date of Birth: **11/29/1951**
Visit Date: **August 9, 2024**
Reason for visit: **REGULAR CHECK-UP**

Clinical Summary

Patient Demographics

Patient Name:	**CHARLES MEADE**	Date of Birth:	**11/29/1951**
Age:	**72**	Phone Number:	**5164860336**
Address:	**797 SALEM RD**	City:	**UNIONDALE**
State:	**NY**	Zip Code:	**11553**
Gender:	**MALE**	Height:	**5'11**
Weight:	**190**	Waist Size	**31**

Patient Insurance

Provider:	**MEDICARE**	Member ID:	**6W30V22EJ10**

Medications

Current Medication	**HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE PILL ONCE A DAY**
Medical History	**HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE**

Medical Diagnosis

The pain level was indicated on a scale of 1-10 as the following: **8**
The patient's pain started on or around **A YEAR**
The surgery addressed the following: **NA**
The pain is experienced **SOMETIMES**
The patient has attempted the following previous treatments/therapies: **TAKING MEDICATION**
The patient described their pain as the following: **ACHY, SHARP**
The activities that make the patient's pain worse is as follows: **BENDING**
The pain is located in the patient's **LEFT ANKLE, RIGHT ANKLE, RIGHT ELBOW, LEFT ELBOW, RIGHT WRIST, LEFT WRIST**
The patient's pain is caused by **ARTHRITIS**
The last time the patient has seen the doctor was on **August 9, 2024**

Chief Complaint

The patient's main complaint is that they experience chronic pain located in the following location(s): **LEFT ANKLE, RIGHT ANKLE, RIGHT ELBOW, LEFT ELBOW, RIGHT WRIST, LEFT WRIST**

Subjective Notes

The patient reports chronic **LEFT ANKLE, RIGHT ANKLE, RIGHT ELBOW, LEFT ELBOW, RIGHT WRIST, LEFT WRIST** pain for **A YEAR.** Patient states pain is **ACHY, SHARP** with a pain scale of **8** and pain worsens with movement. The pain is caused by **ARTHRITIS** and is experienced **SOMETIMES**. Previous treatments with heat, ice, and rest have been unsuccessful to control pain level.

Objective of Assessment (Review of Symptoms)

Patient has chronic pain for **A YEAR** located in their **LEFT ANKLE, RIGHT ANKLE, RIGHT ELBOW, LEFT ELBOW, RIGHT WRIST, LEFT WRIST** related to **M19.072- Osteoarthritis Left Ankle, M19.071- Osteoarthritis Right Ankle, M25.522 Pain in left elbow, M25.521 Pain in right elbow, M25.532- Pain in left wrist, M25.531- Pain in right wrist**. Patient has been to a physical therapist and hasn't had previous surgery to treat this pain.

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Patient's chronic pain is described **ACHY, SHARP** and occurs **SOMETIMES**. The patient rated their pain on a scale of 1-10 (10 being the worst) on a level **8**. The following activities make the patient's pain worse: **BENDING**. Patient needs a **LEFT ANKLE, RIGHT ANKLE, RIGHT ELBOW, LEFT ELBOW, RIGHT WRIST, LEFT WRIST** Brace to provide support and reduce pain level.

Plan & Treatment Goals

Based on my evaluation of the patient's condition, I am ordering the following device(s) **L1906 ANKLE FOOT ORTHOSIS, MULTILIGAMENTOUS ANKLE SUPPORT, PREFABRICATED, OFF-THE-SHELF INCLUDES L3170 HEEL STABILIZER, L3761: ELBOW ORTHOSIS (EO), WITH ADJUSTABLE POSITION LOCKING JOINT(S), PREFABRICATED, OFF-THE-SHELF, L3916 (WRIST HAND ORTHOSIS, INCLUDES ONE OR MORE NONTORSION JOINT(S), ELASTIC BANDS, TURNBUCKLES, MAY INCLUDE SOFT INTERFACE, STRAPS, PREFABRICATED, OFF-THE-SHELF)**, including fitting and adjustment if needed. The patient has been instructed to wear the device daily, as needed. The benefits of this device, which is an alternative, non-invasive method to potentially relieve pain, has been explained to the patient who is interested in this treatment. Based on my assessment, I have determined it is medically necessary and appropriate to prescribe treatment today. For the patient's complaint, I am prescribing this device. The patient will benefit by helping her address any of the following: give support to weak muscles, improve patient's pain, improve patient's function, increase performance in activities of daily living, improve ambulation, reduce medications, slow degeneration, provide stability, provide support.Reduce pain by restricting the mobility of the trunk; reduce the risk of medical problems escalating the patient's present condition, facilitate healing following an injury or surgical procedure to the spine or related soft tissues; To support weak spinal muscles and/or a deformed spine. If the patient's pain persists or worsens and/or there is an acute trauma or injury related to this pain, the patient agrees and understands to go to the Emergency Room or follow-up with their Primary Care Physician for further testing and imaging that may be immediately necessary.

ICD 10 (Diagnostic Codes)

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Agreements

We understand that you are choosing to use our professional medical services to receive a prescription for your new brace.

Physician Information

Provider Name: **NICHOLAS HALPER, MD**

Address: **55 MAPLE AVE STE 102 ROCKVILLE CENTRE NY 11570**

Physician's Signature: 

Date: 08/13/2024

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LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY

Re: **CHARLES MEADE**
Orthotic Device Need Assessment
Exam Date: **08/13/2024**
Height: **5'11**
Weight: **190**
DOB: **11/29/1951**

Mr MEADE is inquiring about utilizing orthotic bracing for his/her current conditions. His/her chief complaint at the time of this assessment is: **LEFT ANKLE, RIGHT ANKLE, RIGHT ELBOW, LEFT ELBOW, RIGHT WRIST, LEFT WRIST**.

Mr MEADE reports chronic **LEFT ANKLE, RIGHT ANKLE, RIGHT ELBOW, LEFT ELBOW, RIGHT WRIST, LEFT WRIST** pain for **A YEAR**. Patient states pain is **ACHY, SHARP** with a pain scale of 8 and pain worsens with **BENDING**. Pain is experienced **SOMETIMES**. Previous treatments with heat, ice, medication and rest have been unsuccessful to control pain levels.

Diagnosis includes: **M19.072- Osteoarthritis Left Ankle, M19.071- Osteoarthritis Right Ankle, M25.522 Pain in left elbow, M25.521 Pain in right elbow, M25.532- Pain in left wrist, M25.531- Pain in right wrist**. Based on my conversation with **Mr MEADE** and evaluation of his/her condition, I am ordering the following: **L1906 ANKLE FOOT ORTHOSIS, MULTILIGAMENTOUS ANKLE SUPPORT, PREFABRICATED, OFF-THE-SHELF INCLUDES L3170 HEEL STABILIZER, L3761: ELBOW ORTHOSIS (EO), WITH ADJUSTABLE POSITION LOCKING JOINT(S), PREFABRICATED, OFF-THE-SHELF, L3916 (WRIST HAND ORTHOSIS, INCLUDES ONE OR MORE NONTORSION JOINT(S), ELASTIC BANDS, TURNBUCKLES, MAY INCLUDE SOFT INTERFACE, STRAPS, PREFABRICATED, OFF-THE-SHELF)**

Patient is ambulatory and has weakness of the **LEFT ANKLE, RIGHT ANKLE, RIGHT ELBOW, LEFT ELBOW, RIGHT WRIST, LEFT WRIST** requiring stabilization for improvement of functionality. I am prescribing this **ANKLE, WRIST, ELBOW** orthosis for the following indication(s): to aid when the patient is **BENDING**, to aid in stabilization of the **ANKLE, WRIST, ELBOW**. My treatment goal(s) for the use of the prescribed **ANKLE, WRIST, ELBOW** orthosis are: improvement in patient's function, improvement in patient's pain. The patient has been instructed to use the brace(s) daily, as needed.

Custom fitting of the orthosis is not required and the patient or an assisting caregiver can apply the prescribed orthotic device with minimal self-adjustment. **Mr MEADE** has been provided a phone number to call if there are any additional comments or questions regarding this examination, and I have recommended that **Mr MEADE** continue medical follow-up as part of an ongoing plan of care.

Re: CHARLES MEADE..... DOB: November 29, 1951
I, **NICHOLAS HALPER, MD**, verify and confirm this order for the above-named patient, and certify that I have personally performed the assessment of the patient for the prescribed treatment and device and verify that it is reasonably and medically necessary, according to accepted standards of medical practice within the community, for this patient's medical condition.

NICHOLAS HALPER, MD
Signature

Date Signed: 08/13/2024