# **RX / MEDICAL NECESSITY FORM**

PATIENT INFORMATION				
MERKEL	GLENN			
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI		
MALE	04/11/1949	5088673737	SHIPPING METHOD:	
GENDER	DATE OF BIRTH	PHONE NUMBER	<ul><li>☑ SHIP TO PATIENT'S HOME ADDRESS</li><li>☐ SHIP TO PATIENT'S PHYSICIAN CLINIC</li></ul>	
80 BARRE RD	NEW BRAINTREE	MA 01531		
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE & ZIPCODE		
INSURANCE INFORMAT	ION			
MEDICARE				
PRIMARY INSURANCE		SECONDARY INSURANCE		
5EG4A96UF70		MEMBER ID		
MEMBER ID				
PHYSICIAN INFORMATION	ON			
MARY LINDHOLM, MD		1265428155		
PHYSICIAN NAME		NPI #		
		5088562818		
55 LAKE AVE N WORCESTER	MA 01655	PHONE NUMBER		
PRACTICE LOCATION		5088564668		
		FAX NUMBER		
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MEDICAL INFORMATION ICD 10 (Diagnosis Code(s)):	fied varthritis left knee arthritis right knee r er	☐ M25.532- Pain ☐ M25.531 - Pain ☐ M25.531 - Pain ☐ M19.072- Ostec ☐ M19.071- Ostec ☐ M25.522 Pain ii ☐ M25.521 Pain ii ☐ M54.2-Cervical	in right wrist parthritis Left Ankle parthritis Right Ankle n left elbow n right elbow	

#### **MEDICAL HISTORY**

**Previous treatments: NONE** 

**Doctor's Notes:** The patient reports chronic **Back** pain for **A WEEK**. Patient states pain is **SHARP** with a pain scale of **5** and pain worsens with movements. Pain is caused by **WEAR AND TEAR** and is experienced **CONSTANTLY**. 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:\_\_

MARY LINDHOLM, MD

PHYSICIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient Name: GLENN MERKEL

Patient Address: 80 BARRE RD NEW BRAINTREE MA 01531

Patient Phone: 5088673737

Physician Name: MARY LINDHOLM, MD Address: 55 LAKE AVE N WORCESTER MA 01655

Telephone: 5088562818 Fax: 5088564668

Patient: GLENN MERKEL Date of Birth: 04/11/1949 Visit Date: February 2024 Reason for visit: Check-up

# **Clinical Summary**

**Patient Demographics** 

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Patient Name:	GLENN MERKEL	Date of Birth:	04/11/1949		
Age:	75	Phone Number:	5088673737		
Address:	80 BARRE RD	City:	NEW BRAINTREE		
State:	MA	Zip Code:	01531		
Gender:	MALE	Height:	6'7		
Weight:	210	Waist Size	MEDIUM		

#### **Patient Insurance**

Provider:	MEDICARE	Member ID:	5EG4A96UF70
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#### Medications

medications				
	Current Medication	NONE		
	Medical History	NONE		

## **Medical Diagnosis**

The pain level was indicated on a scale of 1-10 as the following: 5

The patient's pain started on or around A WEEK

The surgery addressed the following: NA

The pain is experienced CONSTANTLY

The patient has attempted the following previous treatments/therapies: NONE

The patient described their pain as the following: SHARP

The activities that make the patient's pain worse is as follows: DOING DAILY ACTIVITIES

The pain is located in the patient's Back

The patient's pain is caused by WEAR AND TEAR

The last time the patient has seen the doctor was on February 2024

## **Chief Complaint**

The patient's main complaint is that they experience chronic pain located in the following location(s): Back

### Subjective Notes

The patient reports chronic Back pain for A WEEK. Patient states pain is SHARP with a pain scale of 5 and pain worsens with movement. The pain is caused by WEAR AND TEAR and is experienced CONSTANTLY. 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 WEEK located in their Back related to M54.50- Low back pain, unspecified. Patient has been to a physical therapist and hasn't had previous surgery to treat this pain.

Patient's chronic pain is described SHARP and occurs CONSTANTLY. The patient rated their pain on a scale of 1-10 (10 being the worst) on a level-5. The following activities make the patient's pain worse: DOING DAILY ACTIVITIES. Patient needs a Back 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) L0457 (TLSO, FLEXIBLE, PROVIDES TRUNK SUPPORT, THORACIC REGION, RIGID POSTERIOR PANEL AND SOFT ANTERIOR APRON, EXTENDS FROM THE SACROCOCCYGEAL JUNCTION AND TERMINATES JUST INFERIOR TO THE SCAPULAR SPINE, RESTRICTS GROSS TRUNK MOTION IN THE SAGITTAL PLANE, PRODUCES INTRACAVITARY PRESSURE TO REDUCE LOAD ON THE INTERVERTEBRAL DISKS, INCLUDES STRAPS AND CLOSURES, 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 arthritis 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 arthritis 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)

M54.50- Low back pain, unspecified

#### **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: MARY LINDHOLM, MD

Address: 55 LAKE AVE N WORCESTER MA 01655

Physician's Signature:

Date: 10-08-2024

Patient Name: GLENN MERKEL

Patient Address: 80 BARRE RD NEW BRAINTREE MA 01531

Patient Phone: 5088673737

#### LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY

Re: GLENN MERKEL

Orthotic Device Need Assessment

Exam Date: 10/07/2024

Height: 6'7 Weight: 210 DOB: 04/11/1949

Mr MERKEL is inquiring about utilizing orthotic bracing for his/her current conditions. His/her chief complaint at the time of this assessment is:

Mr MERKEL reports chronic Back pain for A WEEK. Patient states pain is SHARP with a pain scale of 5 and pain worsens with DOING DAILY ACTIVITIES. Pain is experienced CONSTANTLY. Previous treatments with heat, ice, medication and rest have been unsuccessful to control pain levels

Diagnosis includes: M54.50- Low back pain, unspecified. Based on my conversation with Mr MERKEL and evaluation of his/her condition, I am ordering the following: L0457 (TLSO, FLEXIBLE, PROVIDES TRUNK SUPPORT, THORACIC REGION, RIGID POSTERIOR PANEL AND SOFT ANTERIOR APRON, EXTENDS FROM THE SACROCOCCYGEAL JUNCTION AND TERMINATES JUST INFERIOR TO THE SCAPULAR SPINE, RESTRICTS GROSS TRUNK MOTION IN THE SAGITTAL PLANE, PRODUCES INTRACAVITARY PRESSURE TO REDUCE LOAD ON THE INTERVERTEBRAL DISKS, INCLUDES STRAPS AND CLOSURES, PREFABRICATED, OFF-THE-SHELF).

Patient is ambulatory and has weakness of the **Back** requiring stabilization for improvement of functionality. I am prescribing this **Back** orthosis for the following indication(s): to aid when the patient is **DOING DAILY ACTIVITIES**, to aid in stabilization of the **Back**. My treatment goal(s) for the use of the prescribed **Back** 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 MERKEL** 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 MERKEL** continue medical follow-up as part of an ongoing plan of care.

Re: GLENN MERKEL..... DOB: APRIL 11, 1949

I, MARY LINDHOLM, 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.

MARY LINDHOLM, MD

Signature

Date Signed: 10 - 08 - 2024