RX / MEDICAL NECESSITY FORM

PATIENT INFORMATION			
MEADE	CHARLES		
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI	
MALE	11/29/1951	5164860336	SHIPPING METHOD: SHIP TO PATIENT'S HOME ADDRESS
GENDER	DATE OF BIRTH	PHONE NUMBER	SHIP TO PATIENT'S HOME ADDRESS SHIP TO PATIENT'S PHYSICIAN CLINIC
797 SALEM RD	UNIONDALE	NY 11553	
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE & ZIPCODE	
INSURANCE INFORMATION	ON .		
MEDICARE	_	SECONDARY INSURANCE	
PRIMARY INSURANCE	•		
6W30V22EJ10		MEMBER ID	
MEMBER ID			
PHYSICIAN INFORMATIO	N		
NICHOLAS HALPER, MD		1912981317	
PHYSICIAN NAME		NPI#	
		5165362221	
55 MAPLE AVE STE 102 ROCK	VILLE CENTRE NY 11570	PHONE NUMBER	
PRACTICE LOCATION	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	5167648747	
		FAX NUMBER	
PRESCRIPTION SELECTION	ON		
□ L3670 - Shoulder Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Size:) □ L3960 - Shoulder Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Size:) □ L0650 - 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)			
MEDICAL INFORMATION ICD 10 (Diagnosis Code(s)):	nthritis left knee rthritis right knee r		in right wrist oarthritis Left Ankle oarthritis Right Ankle n left elbow n right elbow

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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.			
		NICHOLAS HALPER, MD	
PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE:	PHYSICIAN NAME: _		DATE:

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: 51653

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
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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)

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

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:

Patient Name: CHARLES MEADE

Patient Address: 797 SALEM RD UNIONDALE NY 11553

Patient Phone: 5164860336

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

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performed the assessment of the patient for th	rember 29, 1951 m this order for the above-named patient, and certify that I have personally e prescribed treatment and device and verify that it is reasonably and medically f medical practice within the community, for this patient's medical condition.
NICHOLAS HALPER, MD Signature	Date Signed: