### **RX / MEDICAL NECESSITY FORM**

PATIENT INFORMATION					
BALLOWE	MARGARET				
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI			
FEMALE	10/11/1954	5403255237	SHIPPING METHOD:  SHIP TO PATIENT'S HOME ADDRESS		
GENDER	DATE OF BIRTH	PHONE NUMBER	SHIP TO PATIENT'S PHYSICIAN CLINIC		
240 BOLIVER RD	FORT VALLEY	VA 22652			
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE & ZIPCODE			
INSURANCE INFORMATION	ON				
MEDICARE		25001040711010404			
PRIMARY INSURANCE		SECONDARY INSURANCE			
3FJ2A93RW92		MEMBER ID			
MEMBER ID		MEMBER ID			
PHYSICIAN INFORMATION	N				
JOHN KERNS MD		1366410664			
PHYSICIAN NAME		NPI #			
		5406313700			
351 VALLEY HEALTH WAY STE	300 FRONT ROYAL VA 22630	PHONE NUMBER			
PRACTICE LOCATION		5406351673			
		FAX NUMBER			
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PRESCRIPTION SELECTION	ON	<b>.</b>			
L3670 – Shoulder Brace (Side: □         L3960 – Shoulder Brace (Side: □         L3660 – Shoulder Brace (Side: □         L0650 – Lumbar Brace (Waist: )         L0642 – Lumbar Brace (Waist: )         L0457 – Lumbar Brace (Waist: LA         L0648 – Lumbar Brace (Waist: )         E0100 – Electric Heat Pad         L1690 – Hip Brace (Side: □ L □         L1686 – Hip Brace (Side: □ L □         L2624 – Hip Joint Adjustable Flex         L3760 – Elbow Brace (Side: □ L	L	□ L3916 − Wrist Har □ L3915 - Wrist Han □ L1852 − Knee Bra □ L1851 − Knee Bra □ L1837 − Knee Bra □ L2397 − Knee Sra □ E0100 − Cane □ L2425 − Dial Lock □ L2820 − Lower Ex □ L1906 / L1971 − A	tremity Ortho Ankle Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Shoe Size: )		
MEDICAL INFORMATION  ICD 10 (Diagnosis Code(s)):	rthritis left knee thritis right knee	<ul> <li>         □ M25.522 Pain i         □ M25.521 Pain i         □ M54.2-Cervical     </li> </ul>	in right wrist oarthritis Left Ankle oarthritis Right Ankle n left elbow		

#### DV MEDICAL SUPPLY

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**Previous treatments: TAKING MEDICATIONS** 

**Doctor's Notes:** The patient reports chronic **LOWER BACK**, **LEFT KNEE**, **RIGHT KNEE** pain for **A YEAR**. Patient states pain is **SHARP** with a pain scale of **9** and pain worsens with movements. Pain is caused by **ARTHRITIS** and is experienced **CONSTANTLY**. Previous treatments with heat, ice and rest have been unsuccessful to control pain level.

PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE			
<b>Physician Verification:</b> By my signature, I am prescribing the indicated and necessary and consistent with current accepted		, ,	` '
		JOHN KERNS MD	
PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE:	PHYSICIAN NAME:		DATE:

Patient Name: MARGARET BALLOWE

Patient Address: 240 BOLIVER RD FORT VALLEY VA 22652

Patient Phone: 5403255237

Physician Name: JOHN KERNS MD

Address: 351 VALLEY HEALTH WAY STE 300 FRONT ROYAL VA

22630 Telephone: 5406313700 Fax: 5406351673 Patient: MARGARET BALLOWE Date of Birth: 10/11/1954 Visit Date: May 24, 2024

Reason for visit: REGULAR CHECK-UP

## **Clinical Summary**

**Patient Demographics** 

Patient Name:	MARGARET BALLOWE	Date of Birth:	10/11/1954
Age:	69	Phone Number:	5403255237
Address:	240 BOLIVER RD	City:	FORT VALLEY
State:	VA	Zip Code:	22652
Gender:	FEMALE	Height:	4'11
Weight:	155	Waist Size	L

#### **Patient Insurance**

Provider:	MEDICARE	Member ID:	3FJ2A93RW92
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#### **Medications**

Current Medication	TYLENOL
Medical History	NONE

#### **Medical Diagnosis**

The pain level was indicated on a scale of 1-10 as the following: 9

The patient's pain started on or around A YEAR AGO

The surgery addressed the following: NA

The pain is experienced CONSTANTLY

The patient has attempted the following previous treatments/therapies: TAKING MEDICATIONS

The patient described their pain as the following: SHARP

The activities that make the patient's pain worse is as follows: WALKING, STANDING

The pain is located in the patient's LOWER BACK, LEFT KNEE, RIGHT KNEE

The patient's pain is caused by ARTHRITIS

The last time the patient has seen the doctor was on May 24, 2024

#### **Chief Complaint**

The patient's main complaint is that they experience chronic pain located in the following location(s): LOWER BACK, LEFT KNEE, RIGHT KNEE

#### **Subjective Notes**

The patient reports chronic LOWER BACK, LEFT KNEE, RIGHT KNEE pain for A YEAR. Patient states pain is SHARP with a pain scale of 9 and pain worsens with movement. The pain is caused by ARTHRITIS 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 YEAR located in their LOWER BACK, LEFT KNEE, RIGHT KNEE related to M54.50- Low back pain, unspecified, M17.11-Unilateral primary osteoarthritis right knee, M17.12- Unilateral primary osteoarthritis left knee. 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 **9**. The following activities make the patient's pain worse: **WALKING**, **STANDING**. Patient needs a **LOWER BACK**, **LEFT KNEE**, **RIGHT KNEE** 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, L1852 KNEE BRACE - KNEE ORTHOSIS (KO), DOUBLE UPRIGHT, THIGH AND CALF, WITH ADJUSTABLE FLEXION AND EXTENSION JOINT (UNICENTRIC OR POLYCENTRIC), MEDIAL-LATERAL AND ROTATION CONTROL, WITH OR WITHOUT VARUS/VALGUS ADJUSTMENT, PREFABRICATED, OFF-THE-SHELF WHICH INCLUDES L2397 SUSPENSION SLEEVE, 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)

M54.50- Low back pain, unspecified, M17.11-Unilateral primary osteoarthritis right knee, M17.12- Unilateral primary osteoarthritis left

#### 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: JOHN KERNS MD Address: 351 VALLEY HEALTH WAY STE 300 FRONT ROYAL VA 22630 Physician's Signature: Date:

Patient Name: MARGARET BALLOWE

Patient Address: 240 BOLIVER RD FORT VALLEY VA 22652

Patient Phone: 5403255237

#### LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY

Re: MARGARET BALLOWE Orthotic Device Need Assessment

Exam Date: **07/05/2024** Height: **4'11** 

Weight: **155** DOB: **10/11/1954** 

Ms BALLOWE is inquiring about utilizing orthotic bracing for his/her current conditions. His/her chief complaint at the time of this assessment is: LOWER BACK, LEFT KNEE, RIGHT KNEE.

**Ms BALLOWE** reports chronic **LOWER BACK**, **LEFT KNEE**, **RIGHT KNEE** pain for **A YEAR**. Patient states pain is **SHARP** with a pain scale of 9 and pain worsens with **WALKING**, **STANDING**. 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, M17.11-Unilateral primary osteoarthritis right knee, M17.12-Unilateral primary osteoarthritis left knee. Based on my conversation with Ms BALLOWE 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, L1852 KNEE BRACE - KNEE ORTHOSIS (KO), DOUBLE UPRIGHT, THIGH AND CALF, WITH ADJUSTABLE FLEXION AND EXTENSION JOINT (UNICENTRIC OR POLYCENTRIC), MEDIAL-LATERAL AND ROTATION CONTROL, WITH OR WITHOUT VARUS/VALGUS ADJUSTMENT, PREFABRICATED, OFF-THE-SHELF WHICH INCLUDES L2397 SUSPENSION SLEEVE.

Patient is ambulatory and has weakness of the LOWER BACK, LEFT KNEE, RIGHT KNEE requiring stabilization for improvement of functionality. I am prescribing this BACK, KNEE orthosis for the following indication(s): to aid when the patient is WALKING, STANDING, to aid in stabilization of the BACK, KNEE. My treatment goal(s) for the use of the prescribed BACK, KNEE 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. **Ms BALLOWE** has been provided a phone number to call if there are any additional comments or questions regarding this examination, and I have recommended that **Ms BALLOWE** continue medical follow-up as part of an ongoing plan of care.

this order for the above-named patient, and certify that I have personally performed ibed treatment and device and verify that it is reasonably and medically necessary,	the
Date Signed:	
rm scr	Date Signed:

# <u>Comprehensive Knee Laxity Test (Check All Applicable)</u>

**Objective Tests:** (Check ALL applicable, a minimum of 2 tests is required for each knee with a brace prescribed.)

Caution: Advise Patients to stabilize themselves properly during any standing test to avoid a fall injury.

**Pivot Shift Test** (Stabilization to avoid fall advised for this test. Patient can stabilize themselves by holding onto a chair or kitchen counter.)

Positive: Patient knee gives out while pivoting or twisting indication joint laxity

Negative: Patient knee DOES NOT give out while pivoting or twisting.

LEFT:	Positive
RIGHT:	Positive

#### Cabot's Maneuver (figure of "4" knee bend)

Positive: Patient indicates lateral joint line pain, LCL instability and ligament laxity

Negative: Patient knee DOES NOT produce lateral knee pain

(Leave positive and negative both unchecked for the knee if did not perform this test on the knee.)

LEFT:	Positive
RIGHT:	Positive