RX / MEDICAL NECESSITY FORM

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PATIENT INFORMATIO	N		
SOUTH	JUDY		
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME		
FEMALE	01/21/1949	7704347110	SHIPPING METHOD:
GENDER	DATE OF BIRTH	PHONE NUMBER	 ☒ SHIP TO PATIENT'S HOME ADDRESS ☐ SHIP TO PATIENT'S PHYSICIAN CLINIC
2030 BENSON AVE SE	SMYRNA	GA 30080	
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE & ZIPCODE	
INSURANCE INFORMA	TION		
MEDICARE			
PRIMARY INSURANCE	<u></u>	SECONDARY INSURANCE	
6XE9HX4QV20			
MEMBER ID		MEMBER ID	
PHYSICIAN INFORMAT	TION		
ELLIS MALONE MD		1326037821	
PHYSICIAN NAME		NPI#	
		678-945-2100	
1680 HOSPITAL SOUTH DR	AUSTELL GA 30106	PHONE NUMBER	
PRACTICE LOCATION		770-941-3870	
		FAX NUMBER	
PRESCRIPTION SELEC	CTION		
L3670 - Shoulder Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Size:) □ L3761 - Elbow Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Size:) □ L3960 - Shoulder Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Size:) □ L3916 - Wrist Hand Finger (Side: □ L □ R) (Size:) □ L3660 - Shoulder Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Size:) □ L3915 - Wrist Hand Finger (Side: □ L □ R) (Size:) □ L0650 - Lumbar Brace (Waist:) □ L1852 - Knee Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Size:) □ L0642 - Lumbar Brace (Waist:) □ L1851 - Knee Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Size:) □ L0648 - Lumbar Brace (Waist: 18) □ L1833 - Knee Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Size:) □ L0648 - Lumbar Brace (Waist:) □ L2397 - Knee Sleeve (Size: MEDIUM) (Qty: 2) □ E0100 - Electric Heat Pad □ E0100 - Cane □ L1690 - Hip Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Waist:) □ L2425 - Dial Lock Hinge ROM □ L1686 - Hip Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Waist:) □ L2820 - Lower Extremity Ortho □ L2624 - Hip Joint Adjustable Flexion, Extension (Side: □ L □ R) □ L1906 / L1971 - Ankle Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Shoe Size:) □ L3760 - Elbow Brace (Side: □ L □ R) □ L3170 - Heel Stabilizer (Side: □ L □ R)			
MEDICAL INFORMATION ICD 10 (Diagnosis Code(s)): M54.50- Low back pain, unsp M17.12- Unilateral primary os M17.11-Unilateral primary ost M25.512-Pain in the left shoul M25.511-Pain in the right sho M25.552- Pain in Left Hip M25.551- Pain in Right Hip	ecified teoarthritis left knee eoarthritis right knee der ulder		n in right wrist oarthritis Left Ankle oarthritis Right Ankle in left elbow
Length of Need: 🗵 12+ m	onths (long term) — # of mo	onths (1-11)	

FIRST STEP DME INC.

MEDICAL HISTORY

Previous treatments: TAKING MEDICATION

Doctor's Notes: The patient reports chronic **LOWER BACK**, **LEFT KNEE**, **RIGHT KNEE** pain for **A YEAR**. Patient states pain is **DULL** with a pain scale of **7-8** 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.		
	ELLIS MALONE MD	
PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE:	PHYSICIAN NAME:	DATE:

Patient Name: JUDY SOUTH

Patient Address: 2030 BENSON AVE SE SMYRNA GA 30080

Patient Phone: 7704347110

Physician Name: ELLIS MALONE MD

Address: 1680 HOSPITAL SOUTH DR AUSTELL GA 30106

Telephone: 678-945-2100 Fax: 770-941-3870 Patient: JUDY SOUTH
Date of Birth: 01/21/1949
Visit Date: AUGUST 2024

Reason for visit: REGULAR CHECK-UP

Clinical Summary

Patient Demographics

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Patient Name:	JUDY SOUTH	Date of Birth:	01/21/1949
Age:	75	Phone Number:	7704347110
Address:	2030 BENSON AVE SE	City:	SMYRNA
State:	GA	Zip Code:	30080
Gender:	FEMALE	Height:	5'0
Weight:	214	Waist Size	18

Patient Insurance

Provider: MEDICARE	Member ID:	6XE9HX4QV20
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Medications

Current Medication	TYLENOL (ONCE A DAY), HIGHBLOOD PRESSURE PILLS (ONCE A DAY), DIABETES PILLS (4X A DAY), HEART MEDICATION (ONCE A DAY), KIDNEY MEDICATION (ONCE A DAY)
Medical History	HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE, DIABETES

Medical Diagnosis

Medical Diagnosis
The pain level was indicated on a scale of 1-10 as the following: 7-8
The patient's pain started on or around A YEAR AGO
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: DULL
The activities that make the patient's pain worse is as follows: STANDING, WALKING
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 AUGUST 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 DULL with a pain scale of 7-8 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 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 **DULL** and occurs **SOMETIMES**. The patient rated their pain on a scale of 1-10 (10 being the worst) on a level **7-8**. The following activities make the patient's pain worse: **STANDING**, **WALKING**. 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 knee

Agreements

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

Physician Information		
0 Provider Name:	ELLIS MALONE MD	
Address:	1680 HOSPITAL SOUTH DR AUSTELL GA 30106	
Physician's Signature:		
Date:		

Patient Name: JUDY SOUTH

Patient Address: 2030 BENSON AVE SE SMYRNA GA 30080

Patient Phone: 7704347110

LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY

Re: JUDY SOUTH

Orthotic Device Need Assessment

Exam Date: 08/13/2024

Height: **5'0** Weight: **214** DOB: **01/21/1949**

Ms SOUTH 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 SOUTH reports chronic LOWER BACK, LEFT KNEE, RIGHT KNEE pain for A YEAR. Patient states pain is DULL with a pain scale of 7-8 and pain worsens with STANDING, WALKING. Pain is experienced SOMETIMES. 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 SOUTH 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 STANDING, WALKING, 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 SOUTH** 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 SOUTH** continue medical follow-up as part of an ongoing plan of care.

assessment of the patient for the pre-	anuary 21, 1949 Irm this order for the above-named patient, and certify that I have personally performe ribed treatment and device and verify that it is reasonably and medically necessary, dical practice within the community, for this patient's medical condition.	d the
according to accepted standards of the	aicai practice within the community, for this patient's medical condition.	
ELLIS MALONE MD Signature	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