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

PATIENT INFORMATION				
MELANSON	IONA			
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI		
FEMALE	04/05/55	5042205036	SHIPPING METHOD:  SHIP TO PATIENT'S HOME ADDRESS	
GENDER	DATE OF BIRTH	PHONE NUMBER	SHIP TO PATIENT'S PHYSICIAN CLINIC	
1141 CANDLELIGHT CT	MARRERO	LA 70072		
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE & ZIPCODE		
INSURANCE INFORMAT	ION			
MEDICARE				
PRIMARY INSURANCE	_	SECONDARY INSURANCE		
3AF0GQ7HW39		WENDED ID		
MEMBER ID		MEMBER ID		
PHYSICIAN INFORMATION	ON			
BRIAN MICHAEL KOCH		1184895476		
PHYSICIAN NAME		NPI #		
		5043406976		
1151 BARATARIA BLVD STE 4	300 MARRERO LA 70072	PHONE NUMBER		
PRACTICE LOCATION		5049348044		
		FAX NUMBER		
PRESCRIPTION SELECT	TON			
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: MEDIUM)         □ L0642 - Lumbar Brace (Waist: )       □ L1833 - Knee Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Size: )         □ L0645 - Lumbar Brace (Waist: )       □ L2397 - Knee Sleeve (Size: MEDIUM) (Qty: 2)         □ L0648 - Lumbar Brace (Waist: )       □ E0100 - Cane         □ L1690 - Hip Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Waist: )       □ L2425 - Dial Lock Hinge ROM         □ L1690 - Hip Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Waist: )       □ L2820 - Lower Extremity Ortho         □ L1686 - Hip Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Waist: )       □ L1971 - Ankle Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Shoe Size: )         □ L2624 - Hip Joint Adjustable Flexion, Extension (Side: □ L □ R)       □ L1906 - Ankle Brace (Side: □ L □ R) (Shoe Size: )         □ L3760 - Elbow Brace (Side: □ L □ R)       □ L3170 - Heel Stabilizer (Side: □ L □ R)			ad Finger (Side: □ L □ R) (Size: )  d Finger (Side: □ L □ R) (Size: )  ce (Side: □ L □ R) (Size: MEDIUM)  ce (Side: □ L □ R) (Size: MEDIUM)  eve (Size: MEDIUM) (Qty: 2)  Hinge ROM  tremity Ortho  ice (Side: □ L □ R) (Shoe Size: )  ice (Side: □ L □ R) (Shoe Size: )  Brace	
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MEDICAL INFORMATION ICD 10 (Diagnosis Code(s)):	fied varthritis left knee arthritis right knee r er	☐ M25.532- Pain i ☐ M25.531 - Pain i ☐ M19.072- Ostec ☐ M19.071- Ostec ☐ M25.522 Pain ir ☐ M25.521 Pain ir ☐ M54.2-Cervicals	in right wrist parthritis Left Ankle parthritis Right Ankle n left elbow n right elbow	

#### FIRST STEP DME INC.

#### **MEDICAL HISTORY**

**Previous treatments: RESTING** 

**Doctor's Notes:** The patient reports chronic **LEFT KNEE**, **RIGHT KNEE** pain for **MORE THAN A YEAR**. Patient states pain is **ACHY** with a pain scale of **5** 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			
<b>Physician Verification:</b> 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:	BRIAN MIC PHYSICIAN NAME:	CHAEL KOCH DATE:	

Patient Name: IONA MELANSON

Patient Address: 1141 CANDLELIGHT CT MARRERO LA 70072

Patient Phone: 5042205036

Physician Name: **BRIAN MICHAEL KOCH** 

Address: 1151 BARATARIA BLVD STE 4300 MARRERO LA

70072

Telephone: **5043406976** Fax: **5049348044** 

Patient: IONA MELANSON Date of Birth: 04/05/55 Visit Date: Aug 12 2024 Reason for visit: CHECK-UP

## **Clinical Summary**

**Patient Demographics** 

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Patient Name:	IONA MELANSON	Date of Birth:	04/05/55
Age:	69	Phone Number:	5042205036
Address:	1141 CANDLELIGHT CT	City:	MARRERO
State:	LA	Zip Code:	70072
Gender:	FEMALE	Height:	5`4
Weight:	170	Waist Size	XL

#### **Patient Insurance**

Provider: N	MEDICARE	Member ID:	3AF0GQ7HW39
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#### Medications

Current Medication	TYLENOL ( ONCE A DAY ) / ALEVE ( 2X A DAY ) / HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE PILLS ( 2X A DAY ) DIABETIC PILLS ( 2X A DAY )
Medical History	HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE / DIABETES

#### Medical Diagnosis

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The pain level was indicated on a scale of 1-10 as the following: 5
The patient's pain started on or around MORE THAN A YEAR
The surgery addressed the following: NA
The pain is experienced <b>SOMETIMES</b>
The patient has attempted the following previous treatments/therapies: RESTING
The patient described their pain as the following: ACHY
The activities that make the patient's pain worse is as follows: <b>BENDING</b>
The pain is located in the patient's LEFT KNEE, RIGHT KNEE
The patient's pain is caused by ARTHRITIS
The last time the patient has seen the doctor was on Aug 12 2024

#### **Chief Complaint**

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

#### **Subjective Notes**

The patient reports chronic **LEFT KNEE**, **RIGHT KNEE** pain for **MORE THAN A YEAR**. Patient states pain is **ACHY** with a pain scale of **5** 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 MORE THAN A YEAR located in their LEFT KNEE, RIGHT KNEE related to 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 **ACHY** and occurs **SOMETIMES**. 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: **BENDING**. Patient needs a **BACK**, **LEFT KNEE**, **RIGHT KNEE**, **RIGHT WRIST AND 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) L1852 KNEE ORTHOSIS (KO), SINGLE 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 (ADDITION TO LOWER EXTREMITY ORTHOSIS, 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)

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.

Provider Name:	BRIAN MICHAEL KOCH
Address:	1151 BARATARIA BLVD STE 4300 MARRERO LA 70072
Physician's Signature:	
Date:	

Patient Name: IONA MELANSON

Patient Address: 1141 CANDLELIGHT CT MARRERO LA 70072

Patient Phone: 5042205036

#### LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY

Re: IONA MELANSON

Orthotic Device Need Assessment

Exam Date: 08/15/2024

Height: **5`4** Weight: **170** DOB: **04/05/55** 

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

Ms MELANSON reports chronic LEFT KNEE, RIGHT KNEE pain for MORE THAN A YEAR. Patient states pain is ACHY with a pain scale of 5 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: M17.11-Unilateral primary osteoarthritis right knee, M17.12- Unilateral primary osteoarthritis left knee,. Based on my conversation with Ms MELANSON and evaluation of his/her condition, I am ordering the following: L1852 KNEE ORTHOSIS (KO), SINGLE 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 (ADDITION TO LOWER EXTREMITY ORTHOSIS, SUSPENSION SLEEVE)

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

Re: IONA MELANSON		
<b>BRIAN MICHAEL KOCH</b> Signature	Date Signed:	

# Comprehensive Knee Laxity Test (Check All Applicable)

**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