MED X
medical equipment

What's needed for a new referral:

- Demographics
- Detailed Written Order Signed/Dated by physician
- Most recent Face-To-Face note discussing the item the patient is needing as well as the diagnosis

Bariatric Walkers:

In addition to the "reasonable and necessary" criteria contained in this LCD there are other payment rules, which are discussed in the following documents that must also be met prior to Medicare reimbursement:

- The LCD-related Standard Documentation Requirements Article, located at the bottom of this policy under the Related Local Coverage Documents section.
- The LCD-related Policy Article, located at the bottom of this policy under the Related Local Coverage Documents section.
- Refer to the Supplier Manual for additional information on documentation requirements.
- Refer to the DME MAC web sites for additional bulletin articles and other publications related to this LCD.

For the items addressed in this LCD, the "reasonable and necessary" criteria, based on Social Security Act § 1862(a)(1)(A) provisions, are defined by the following coverage indications, limitations and/or medical necessity.

A standard walker (E0130, E0135, E0141, E0143) and related accessories are covered if all of the following criteria (1-3) are met:

1. The beneficiary has a mobility limitation that significantly impairs his/her ability to participate in one or more mobility-related activities of daily living (MRADL) in the home.
   A mobility limitation is one that:
   a. Prevents the beneficiary from accomplishing the MRADL entirely, or
   b. Places the beneficiary at reasonably determined heightened risk of morbidity or mortality secondary to the attempts to perform the MRADL, or
   c. Prevents the beneficiary from completing the MRADL within a reasonable time frame; and
2. The beneficiary is able to safely use the walker; and
   The functional mobility deficit can be sufficiently resolved with use of a walker.

If all of the criteria are not met, the walker will be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

A heavy duty walker (E0148, E0149) is covered for beneficiaries who meet coverage criteria for a standard walker and who weigh more than 300 pounds. If an E0148 or E0149 walker is provided and if the beneficiary weighs 300 pounds or less, it will be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

A heavy duty, multiple braking system, variable wheel resistance walker (E0147) is covered for beneficiaries who meet coverage criteria for a standard walker and who are unable to use a standard walker due to a severe neurologic disorder or other condition causing the restricted use of one hand. Obesity, by itself, is not a sufficient reason for an E0147 walker. If an E0147 walker is provided and if the additional coverage criteria are not met, it will be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

The medical necessity for a walker with an enclosed frame (E0144) has not been established. Therefore, if an enclosed frame walker is provided, it will be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

A walker with trunk support (E0140) is covered for beneficiaries who meet coverage criteria for a standard walker and who have documentation in the medical record justifying the medical necessity for the special features. If an E0140 walker is provided and if the medical record does not document why that item is medically necessary, it will be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

Leg extensions (E0158) are covered only for beneficiaries 6 feet tall or more.

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DETAILED PHYSICIANS ORDER
DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Patient: _____ Date of Order: _____ HT: ____ WT: _____

Address: _____ DOB: _____ Length of Need: 99

_____ Diagnosis Codes: _____

Equipment Needed:

____ E1038 Transport chair (weight <= 300 lbs.)
____ K0001 Standard Manual Wheelchair
____ K0003 Lightweight Manual Wheelchair
____ K0004 High Strength Lightweight Manual Wheelchair
____ K0006 HD Manual Wheelchair (weight > 250 lbs.)
____ K0007 Extra HD Manual Wheelchair (weight > 300 lbs.)

Additional Accessories for K0001 – K0007 wheelchairs
Non Standard Seat Width
____ E2201 (>=20"-<24") ____ E2202 (24"-27")
____ Seat Cushion – Please specify:
E2601, E2602, E2603*, E2604*, E2622*, E2623*
____ Back Cushion – Please specify:
E2611, E2612
____ Heel Loops/ Standard leg rests (E0951) ___Right ____ Left
____ Elevating Leg rests (K0195) ___Right ___ Left
____ Articulating Leg rests (K0053)
____ Anti-Tippers (E0971) ___ Right ___ Left
____ Brake extensions (E0961) ___ Right ___ Left
____ Height adjustable arms (E0973) ___ Right ___ Left
____ Arm Trough (E2209)* ___ Right ___ Left
____ Amputee support (E1020)* ___ Right ___ Left
____ Swing away Hardware (E1028) ___ Right ___ Left
____ 1 arm drive attachment (E0958) ___ Right ___ Left
____ Lap tray (E0950)
____ Oxygen tank holder (E2208)
Verify covered diagnosis

____ E0260 Semi-electric hospital bed w/ mattress
____ E0261 Semi-electric hospital bed w/o mattress
____ E0265 Full electric hospital bed (ABN required)
____ E0303 HD hospital bed extra wide (350-600 lbs)
____ E0143 Standard Walker (No wheels)
____ E0143 Wheeled walker
____ E0143 Wheeled walker with seat (Rollator)
____ E0156 Walker Seat for Rollator
____ E0100 Cane-Standard Aluminum
____ E0105 Quad Cane (sm or lg)

____ **If other please specify:**

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Physicians
Name: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Physicians
Signature: _____
(Original no stamps please)

Date: _____

NPI: _____

Showroom location for new patients and walk-ins:
1005 N Kingshighway Ste 12 Cape Girardeau ph. 573-803-2390 fax. 573-803-1247