

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR MANUAL WHEELCHAIR

PHYSICIAN REQUIREMENTS

STANDARD WHEELCHAIRS

- Standard Written Order (SWO) that contains:
 - Beneficiary's name
 - Physician's name
 - Physician's NPI number
 - Length of need
 - Diagnosis that is relevant to the need for the wheelchair
 - Specific type of manual wheelchair that is to be ordered
 - Each option/accessory that is separately billed
 - Physician's signature and date (must be dated the same day or after the face to face exam).

Chart notes or patient progress notes written by the **Physician** that document the following:

- Physician had a **Face to Face Exam** with the patient for the purpose of evaluating medical necessity for the wheelchair.

Face to face Exam instructions

- **Describe** the patients mobility limitation that significantly impairs his/her ability to participate in one or more mobility-related activities of daily living (MRADLs) such as toileting, feeding, dressing, grooming, and bathing in customary locations in the home;
- **Describe** how the mobility limitation prevents the beneficiary from accomplishing an MRADL entirely; or
- **Describe** how the mobility deficit places patient at a reasonably determined risk secondary to the attempts to perform an MRADL; or
- **Describe** how the mobility deficit prevents the patient from completing an MRADL within a reasonable amount of time; **and**
- **Describe** why the mobility limitation cannot be sufficiently and safely resolved by use of appropriately fitted cane or walker; **and**
- **Document** that the patients home provides adequate access between rooms, maneuvering space and surfaces for use of the wheelchair that is to be provided; **and**
- **Document** that the use of a manual wheelchair will significantly improve the beneficiary's ability to participate in MRADLs and patient will use it on a regular basis; **and**
- **Document** that the patient has not expressed an unwillingness to use the wheelchair.
- **Document** that the beneficiary has sufficient upper extremity function and other physical and mental capabilities needed to safely self-propel the manual wheelchair that is provided in the home during a typical day; **or**
- **Document** beneficiary has a caregiver who is available, willing and able to provide assistance with the wheelchair.

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SPECIAL WHEELCHAIRS

Lightweight wheelchair

- **Document** that the patient cannot self-propel in a standard wheelchair; **and** can and does self-propel in a lightweight wheelchair.

High strength lightweight wheelchair

- **Document** that the patient self-propels the high-strength lightweight wheelchair while engaging in frequent activities that cannot be performed in a standard or lightweight wheelchair; **and** spends at least two hours per day in the wheelchair.

Heavy-duty wheelchair

- Provide documentation that the patient weighs more than 250 pounds; **or**
- Has severe spasticity.

ACCESSORIES

Elevating leg rests

- **Document** in the chart notes why the patient needs elevating leg rests. Add elevating leg rests to the prescription.

Cushion

- **Document** in the chart notes why the patient needs a cushion .
Cushions are recommended for all patients who use their wheelchair daily.

Please fax all forms attached including the chart notes to 704-821-7777.

If you have any questions contact Mobility & More at 704-821-7777.

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**DME STANDARD WRITTEN ORDER (SWO)**

ORDER DATE:		Name of Practice / Facility:			
Person completing this form:		Phone #:			
PATIENT DEMOGRAPHICS					
FIRST NAME:		LAST NAME:		M.I.	PHONE:
Street Address:		City:		State:	Zip:
DOB:	Sex: M F	Ht:	Wt:	2 nd Contact/Phone:	
Primary Insurance: ☐ Medicare ☐ Medicaid ☐ Other			Secondary Insurance: ☐ Medicare ☐ Medicaid ☐ Other		
Name:			Name:		
Address:			Address:		
Phone:			Phone:		
MBI/Policy #:			Policy #:		
SUPPORTING ICD-10 CODES / NARRATIVE DIAGNOSIS					
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				4.	
<i>The patient named above is being treated under a comprehensive plan of care. I, the undersigned treating physician certify that the below prescribed is medically necessary for the patient. I believe that the following products are both reasonable and necessary for the overall patient's wellbeing, condition and/or rehabilitation. I certify that the patient's medical records reflect the need for the item ordered and will be sent to the DME provider along with this SWO.</i>					
☐ Standard Folding Walker		☐ Hospital Bed		☐ Adult Briefs / Pull Ups	
☐ Walker w/Wheels		☐ Patient Lift		☐ Under Pads / Gloves	
☐ Rollator (walker w/wheels, seat & brakes)		☐ Trapeze Bar		☐ Wrist / Carpel Tunnel Brace	
☐ Transport Wheelchair		☐ Gel Overlay		☐ Ankle Brace Support	
☒ Manual Wheelchair		☐ Low Airloss Mattress		☐ Back Brace Support	
☒ Wheelchair Seat Cushion		☐ Diabetic Shoes		☐ Knee Brace Support	
☒ Wheelchair Back Cushion		☐ Compression Stockings		☐ Other:	
☐ Motorized Wheelchair / Powerchair		☐ Mobility Scooter / POV		☐ Other:	
☒ Elevating Leg Rest ☒ Adj. Ht. Armrest ☒ Seat Belt				QUANTITY TO BE DISPENSED: 1	
☒ Heel Loops ☒ Brake Extensions ☒ Anti-Tippers				LENGTH OF NEED: 99	
☐ Motorized Wheelchair / Scooter Repairs – repairs as needed to support continued patient's mobility needs in their home					
PHYSICIANS NAME:				NPI #:	
Street Address:		City:		State:	Zip
Contact:		Phone:		Fax:	
PHYSICIANS SIGNATURE:				DATE:	

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