Local Coverage Determination (LCD): Patient Lifts (L33799)

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CMS National Coverage Policy

CMS Pub. 100-03, Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual, Chapter 1, Part 4, Section 280.1

Coverage Guidance

Coverage Indications, Limitations, and/or Medical Necessity

For any item to be covered by Medicare, it must 1) be eligible for a defined Medicare benefit category, 2) be reasonable and necessary for the diagnosis or treatment of illness or injury or to improve the functioning of a malformed body member, and 3) meet all other applicable Medicare statutory and regulatory requirements.

The purpose of a Local Coverage Determination (LCD) is to provide information regarding “reasonable and necessary” criteria based on Social Security Act § 1862(a)(1)(A) provisions.
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 patient lift is covered if transfer between bed and a chair, wheelchair, or commode is required and, without the use of a lift, the beneficiary would be bed confined.

A patient lift described by codes E0630, E0635, E0639, or E0640 is covered if the basic coverage criteria are met. If the coverage criteria are not met, the lift will be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

A multi-positional patient transfer system (E0636, E1035, E1036) is covered if both of the following criteria 1 and 2 are met:

1. The basic coverage criteria for a lift are met; and
2. The beneficiary requires supine positioning for transfers

If either criterion 1 or 2 is not met, codes E0636, E1035, and E1036 will be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

If coverage is provided for code E1035 or E1036, payment will be discontinued for any other mobility assistive equipment, including but not limited to: canes, crutches, walkers, rollabout chairs, transfer chairs, manual wheelchairs, power-operated vehicles, or power wheelchairs.

Code E0621 is covered as an accessory when ordered as a replacement for a covered patient lift.

GENERAL

A Detailed Written Order (DWO) (if applicable) must be received by the supplier before a claim is submitted. If the supplier bills for an item addressed in this policy without first receiving a completed DWO, the claim shall be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

For Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS) base items that require a Written Order Prior to Delivery (WOPD), the supplier must also obtain a DWO before submitting a claim for any associated options, accessories, and/or supplies that are separately billed. In this scenario, if the supplier bills for associated options, accessories, and/or supplies without first receiving a completed DWO, the claim shall be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

A WOPD (if applicable) must be received by the supplier before a DMEPOS item is delivered to a beneficiary. If a supplier delivers a DMEPOS item without first receiving a completed WOPD, the claim shall be statutorily denied. Refer to the LCD-related Policy Article, located at the bottom of this policy under the Related Local Coverage Documents section.
An item/service is correctly coded when it meets all the coding guidelines listed in CMS HCPCS guidelines, LCDs, LCD-related Policy Articles, or DME MAC articles. Claims that do not meet coding guidelines shall be denied as not reasonable and necessary/incorrectly coded.

Proof of delivery (POD) is a Supplier Standard and DMEPOS suppliers are required to maintain POD documentation in their files. Proof of delivery documentation must be made available to the Medicare contractor upon request. All services that do not have appropriate proof of delivery from the supplier shall be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

Coding Information

**Bill Type Codes:**

Contractors may specify Bill Types to help providers identify those Bill Types typically used to report this service. Absence of a Bill Type does not guarantee that the policy does not apply to that Bill Type. Complete absence of all Bill Types indicates that coverage is not influenced by Bill Type and the policy should be assumed to apply equally to all claims.

N/A

**Revenue Codes:**

Contractors may specify Revenue Codes to help providers identify those Revenue Codes typically used to report this service. In most instances Revenue Codes are purely advisory. Unless specified in the policy, services reported under other Revenue Codes are equally subject to this coverage determination. Complete absence of all Revenue Codes indicates that coverage is not influenced by Revenue Code and the policy should be assumed to apply equally to all Revenue Codes.

N/A

**CPT/HCPCS Codes**

**Group 1 Paragraph:**

The appearance of a code in this section does not necessarily indicate coverage.

**HCPCS MODIFIERS:**

- EY No physician or other licensed health care provider order for this item or service
- GA Waiver of liability statement issued as required by payer policy, individual case

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GZ Item or service expected to be denied as not reasonable and necessary

KX - Requirements specified in the medical policy have been met

**HCPCS CODES:**

**Group 1 Codes:**

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<td>PATIENT LIFT, BATHROOM OR TOILET, NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED</td>
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<td>PATIENT LIFT, HYDRAULIC OR MECHANICAL, INCLUDES ANY SEAT, SLING, STRAP(S) OR PAD(S)</td>
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<td>PATIENT LIFT, ELECTRIC WITH SEAT OR SLING</td>
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<td>MULTIPOSITIONAL PATIENT SUPPORT SYSTEM, WITH INTEGRATED LIFT, PATIENT ACCESSIBLE CONTROLS</td>
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<td>PATIENT LIFT, MOVEABLE FROM ROOM TO ROOM WITH DISASSEMBLY AND REASSEMBLY, INCLUDES ALL COMPONENTS/ACCESSORIES</td>
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<td>PATIENT LIFT, FIXED SYSTEM, INCLUDES ALL COMPONENTS/ACCESSORIES</td>
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**ICD-10 Codes that Support Medical Necessity**

N/A

**ICD-10 Codes that DO NOT Support Medical Necessity**

N/A

**Additional ICD-10 Information**

N/A
General Information

Associated Information

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

Section 1833(e) of the Social Security Act precludes payment to any provider of services unless "there has been furnished such information as may be necessary in order to determine the amounts due such provider." It is expected that the beneficiary's medical records will reflect the need for the care provided. The beneficiary's medical records include the physician's office records, hospital records, nursing home records, home health agency records, records from other healthcare professionals and test reports. This documentation must be available upon request.

GENERAL DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to justify payment for DMEPOS items, suppliers must meet the following requirements:

- Prescription (orders)
- Medical Record Information (including continued need/use if applicable)
- Correct Coding
- Proof of Delivery

Refer to the LCD-related Standard Documentation Requirements article, located at the bottom of this policy under the Related Local Coverage Documents section for additional information regarding these requirements.

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.

POLICY SPECIFIC DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

Items covered in this LCD have additional policy-specific requirements that must be met prior to Medicare reimbursement.

Refer to the LCD-related Policy article, located at the bottom of this policy under the Related Local Coverage Documents section for additional information.

Miscellaneous

Appendices

Utilization Guidelines
## Refer to Coverage Indications, Limitations and/or Medical Necessity

Sources of Information and Basis for Decision

Reserved for future use.

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COVERAGE INDICATIONS, INDICATIONS, LIMITATIONS AND/OR MEDICAL NECESSITY:
Removed: Standard Documentation Language
Added: New reference language and directions to Standard Documentation Requirements
Added: General Requirements

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Added: General Documentation Requirements
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POLICY SPECIFIC DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:
Removed: Standard Documentation Language
Added: Direction to Standard Documentation Requirements
Removed: References under Miscellaneous and Appendices

RELATED LOCAL COVERAGE DOCUMENTS:
Added: LCD-related Standard Documentation Requirements article |

- Provider Education/Guidance

| 07/01/2016            | R2                      | Effective July 1, 2016 oversight for DME MAC LCDs is the responsibility of CGS Administrators, LLC 18003 and 17013 and Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC 19003 and 16013. No other changes have been made to the LCDs. |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 10/01/2015            | R1                      | **Revision Effective Date: 10/31/2014**
COVERAGE INDICATIONS, LIMITATIONS AND/OR MEDICAL NECESSITY:
Revised: Standard Documentation Language to add covered prior to a beneficiary’s Medicare eligibility

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS:
Revised: Standard Documentation Language to add who can enter date of delivery date on the POD |

- Change in Assigned States or Affiliated Contract Numbers
- Provider Education/Guidance

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**Associated Documents**

**Attachments**

N/A

**Related Local Coverage Documents**

Article(s)
A52516 - Patient Lifts - Policy Article
A55426 - Standard Documentation Requirements for All Claims Submitted to DME MACs

**Related National Coverage Documents**

N/A

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