

Medicare Requirements for a Walker

PHYSICIAN REQUIREMENTS

1. **Prescription that contains the following:**

- Beneficiary's name
- Physician's name
- Physician's NPI number
- Item being ordered
- Diagnosis that is relevant to the need for the Walker
- Length of need
- Physician's signature and date

2. **Chart Notes** or facility notes, signed by the ordering physician, that include the following:

- A description of the patient's mobility limitation, diagnosis, and how it significantly impairs His or Her ability to participate in one or more mobility-related activities of daily living (MRADLS) in their home environment such as; toileting, feeding, dressing, Grooming, Bathing.
- Notes documenting that the patient is willing and able to use the walker.
- Notes documenting that the mobility deficit can be resolved by the use of the walker.

Seat for walker

If a seat is being ordered, add it to the Prescription and **Document** why it is medically necessary in the chart notes.

Fax the completed chart notes, Rx and face sheet to (707)253-7399

If you have questions call (707) 224-7921

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