

Medicare Walker Qualifications

Prescription

- Patient's Name
- Date of Order
- General Description including any additional accessories
 - o e.g., Walker, Walker with wheels, Walker with wheels and seat (Rollator), Heavy Duty Walker, etc.
- Physician Signature
- Physician Name Printed or NPI

Chart Notes

For a standard walker to be covered, all the following coverage criteria (1-3) must be met:

1. The patient 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:

- Prevents the patient from accomplishing the MRADL entirely; or
- Places the patient at a reasonably determined heightened risk or morbidity or mortality secondary to the attempts to perform the MRADL: or
- Prevents the patient from completing the MRADL within a reasonable timeframe; and
- 2. The patient can safely use the walker; and
- 3. The functional mobility deficit can be resolved with the use of a walker.

Additional Information

- Heavy Duty Walker
 - o The patient weighs more than 300 pounds.
- Leg Extensions
 - Covered for patients that are 6 feet tall or more.

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