

UnitedHealthcare[®] Community Plan Medical Policy

Walkers (for Mississippi Only)

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Instructions for Use

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Related Policy

 Durable Medical Equipment, Orthotics, Medical Supplies and Repairs/Replacements (for Mississippi Only)

Application

This Medical Policy only applies to the state of Mississippi.

Coverage Rationale

Walkers

Mississippi CAN (Coordinated Access Network)

For medical necessity clinical coverage criteria for Walkers, refer to <u>Mississippi Medicaid Administrative Code Part 209: DME</u> and <u>Medical Supplies. Rule 1.45: Walker</u>.

Mississippi CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program)

Walkers are proven and medically necessary in certain circumstances. For medical necessity clinical coverage criteria, refer to the InterQual[®] Medicare: Durable Medical Equipment, Walkers.

Click here to view the InterQual® criteria.

Applicable Codes

The following list(s) of procedure and/or diagnosis codes is provided for reference purposes only and may not be all inclusive. Listing of a code in this policy does not imply that the service described by the code is a covered or non-covered health service. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by federal, state, or contractual requirements and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment. Other Policies and Guidelines may apply.

| HCPCS Code | Description |
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| E0130 | Walker, rigid (pickup), adjustable or fixed height |
| E0135 | Walker, folding (pickup), adjustable or fixed height |
| E0140 | Walker, with trunk support, adjustable or fixed height, any type |
| E0141 | Walker, rigid, wheeled, adjustable or fixed height |

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| HCPCS Code HCPCS Code | Description Description |
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| E0143 | Walker, folding, wheeled, adjustable or fixed height |
| E0144 | Walker, enclosed, four-sided framed, rigid or folding, wheeled with posterior seat |
| E0147 | Walker, heavy-duty, multiple braking system, variable wheel resistance |
| E0148 | Walker, heavy-duty, without wheels, rigid or folding, any type, each |
| E0149 | Walker, heavy-duty, wheeled, rigid or folding, any type |

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References

Mississippi Medicaid Administrative Code Part 209: DME and Medical Supplies. Rule 1.45: Walker. Available at: <u>https://medicaid.ms.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Title-23-Part-209-DME-and-Medical-Supplies-eff-10.01.21.pdf</u>. Accessed March 16, 2023.

Policy History/Revision Information

| Date | Summary of Changes |
|------------|--|
| 07/01/2023 | Routine review; no change to coverage guidelines |
| | Archived previous policy version CS357MS.A |

Instructions for Use

This Medical Policy provides assistance in interpreting UnitedHealthcare standard benefit plans. When deciding coverage, the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage must be referenced as the terms of the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage may differ from the standard benefit plan. In the event of a conflict, the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage govern. Before using this policy, please check the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage. UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to modify its Policies and Guidelines as necessary. This Medical Policy is provided for informational purposes. It does not constitute medical advice.

UnitedHealthcare may also use tools developed by third parties, such as the InterQual[®] criteria, to assist us in administering health benefits. The UnitedHealthcare Medical Policies are intended to be used in connection with the independent professional medical judgment of a qualified health care provider and do not constitute the practice of medicine or medical advice.