Medicare Requirements for a Commode

PHYSICIAN REQUIREMENTS

1. Prescription that includes:
   - Beneficiary's name
   - Physician’s name
   - Physician’s NPI number
   - Item being ordered
   - Diagnosis that is relevant to the need for the commode
   - Length of need
   - Physician’s signature and date

2. Chart notes or facility notes that are signed by the ordering physician, that document the following information:
   a. Patient is confined to a single room, or
   b. Patient is confined to one level of the home and there is no toilet available

*Confined to a single room means the patient is bedridden, cannot walk with a cane or walker, or cannot use or be wheeled in a wheelchair to access the bathroom.

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

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