

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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