



Bathroom Safety Documentation

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Documentation Requirements Bath Aids

Medicare

- Non-Covered

Medicaid

- Bathroom Safety Prescription
- Face-to-face with a treating practitioner
 - The visit must be related to the primary condition requiring the equipment.
 - The visit must be within 6 months of the written order.

Commercial

- Dependent on the insurance policy, whether items are covered
- Bathroom Safety Prescription
- Progress notes documenting the medical necessity of the item(s)

Documentation Requirements Commodes

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- Bath Aids Prescription
- Medical records (see below)

Medical Record Requirements

- Face-to-face visit with treating practitioner. Additional clinician notes (PT, OT, etc.) can support medical necessity but cannot replace the face-to-face visit. Records must support:
 - The patient is physically incapable of utilizing regular toilet facilities because of one of the following:
 - They are confined to a single room.
 - They are confined to one level of the home, and there is no toilet on that level.
 - They are confined to the home, and there are no toilet facilities in the home.
- For heavy-duty commodes, records must support that the patient weighs 300 lbs. or more.
- For commodes with detachable arms, records must support the patient's needs to transfer to/from the commode, or the patient has a body configuration that requires extra width.