



FACE-TO-FACE ENCOUNTER DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICARE / MEDICAID

This form is to be completed by the treating practitioner during a face-to-face encounter with the patient prior to ordering Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS). Documentation must support the medical necessity of the item(s) ordered.

PATIENT INFORMATION		
PATIENT NAME:		DATE OF BIRTH:
PATIENT ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
DATE OF FACE-TO-FACE ENCOUNTER:	PLACE OF ENCOUNTER: ☐ Office ☐ Home ☐ Other: _____	

FACE-TO-FACE ENCOUNTER REQUIREMENTS (Per CMS Guidelines)
☐ The patient was seen in a face-to-face encounter by the treating practitioner. ☐ The encounter occurred no more than 6 months prior to the written order for the DMEPOS (or sooner if the patient's condition changes). ☐ The treating practitioner made a clinical determination that the beneficiary is in need of the DMEPOS. ☐ The supporting documentation of the medical record includes the following elements: • Description of the patient's condition and the related symptoms that support the need for the DMEPOS. • Diagnosis (if applicable). • The medical necessity for the DMEPOS (why the item is needed). • How the DMEPOS will benefit the patient and is reasonable and necessary for the treatment of the condition. • The duration of need (length of time the DMEPOS is needed). ☐ If applicable, the documentation supports that less costly alternatives have been considered and ruled out.

CLINICAL INFORMATION
(Provide a summary of the patient's condition, related symptoms, and how the ordered item will benefit the patient.)

ITEM(S) ORDERED				
HCPCS CODE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	QTY	LENGTH OF NEED	DIAGNOSIS (ICD-10)

TREATING PRACTITIONER ATTESTATION	
I certify that I had a face-to-face encounter with the patient's named above and that the information documented in this record is true, accurate, and complete. I made a clinical determination that the patient is in need of the DMEPOS listed above, and the item(s) ordered are medically necessary.	
PRACTITIONER NAME (PRINT):	NPI#:
PRACTITIONER SIGNATURE:	DATE:
PRACTITIONER TITLE:	PHONE:

Note: This documentation must be maintained in the patient's medical record and available upon request.
Reference: CMS DMEPOS Order Requirements – <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/coverage/durable-medical-equipment-dmepos>