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All requests for authorization for the services described by this medical policy will be reviewed per Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) guidelines. These services may be authorized under individual consideration for Medicaid members under the age of 21-years if the services are judged to by medically necessary to correct or ameliorate the member's condition. Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS), Supplement B - EPSDT (Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment) Manual.

Description & Definitions:

Orthotics and braces are use to support joints and/or prevent movement following an injury, or surgery.

Spinal orthoses can protect the spine to prevent further injury or can correct the position of the spine. A spinal orthosis may be prefabricated, custom-fitted (a prefabricated brace modified to fit a person), or custom-fabricated (individually constructed to fit a specific person).

- Custom-fit is a prefabricated orthosis that requires a moderate to maximum adjustment on final delivery.
- A custom-fabricated orthosis is made and fitted to a specific individual.
- "Off-the-shelf" (OTS) is a prefabricated orthosis that requires minimal adjustment on final delivery.

Benik Shorts are custom, compression shorts to provide additional support to back, stomach, hips and thighs for additional support and alignment during exercise.

Suit Therapy is an orthotic, Lycra apparel that provides stability for tone, posture and controlled stability.

Criteria:

- Orthotic or brace for individuals above age 21 may be authorized when **ALL** of the following criteria are met:
  - The orthotic is considered medically necessary when **1 or more** of the following are met:
    - The orthotic is provided by the treating provider during the course of treatment in the practitioner's office; or
    - The orthotic is recommended as part of an approved intensive rehabilitation program; or
    - The orthotic is needed in the post-surgical time period; or
    - The orthotic is necessary for the treatment of an acute injury.
  - The orthotic is considered medically necessary for **ALL** of the following:
    - Ordered by the practitioner on the CMN/DMAS-352 (CMN);

- Directly and specifically related to an active, written, and practitioner-approved rehabilitation treatment or discharge plan; and
- Consistent with generally accepted professional medical standards (i.e., not experimental or investigational)

- Orthotic or brace needed, as indicated by **1 or more** of the following:
  - Prefabricated brace or off-the-shelf
  - Custom Brace needed for **1 or more** of the following:
    - Abnormal limb contour interferes with use of prefabricated orthosis
    - Child or person of short stature, when pediatric prefabricated orthosis is not sufficient
    - Contracture or deformity interferes with fitting of prefabricated orthosis
    - Minimal muscle mass limits suspension of prefabricated orthosis.
    - Person of tall stature, when extensions for prefabricated orthosis are not sufficient
    - Tried and failed use of prefabricated orthosis
  - Repairs and/or Replacement to medically necessary orthotics and braces for **1 or more** of the following:
    - Repairs due to normal wear and tear to maintain functionality.
    - Replacements due to **1 or more** of the following:
      - Irreparable damage
      - significant change in the individual's condition (i.e. growth in child/adolescent or major weight loss/gain)

Orthotics and Braces is considered **not medically necessary** for any use other than those indicated in the clinical criteria, to include but not limited to:

- any orthosis used on uninjured body parts or to prevent injury
- Benik shorts
- Comfort, non-therapeutic braces
- Copes scoliosis brace
- Post Partum Recovery Garment
- Pregnancy Belt
- Repair or replacement when an orthosis becomes unusable or non-functioning because of misuse, abuse or neglect
- Rosenberger brace
- Robotic lower body exoskeleton suits (e.g., the ReWalk Personal Exoskeleton, K1007)
- Full body robotic exoskeleton also know as a Powered exoskeleton suits to exceptions using the combination of upper and lower components (K1007 and L8701/L8702)
- ScoliBrace
- ScoliSmart activity suit
- Spinal orthosis for as a preoperative diagnostic tool prior to lumbar fusion surgery
- Spine and Scapula Stabilizing brace (the S3 brace)
- SpineCor Dynamic Corrective Brace
- Suit therapy
- UNYQ customized brace

Document History:

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- 2026: June – Implementation date of October 1, 2026. Criteria updated.
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- 2025: May 06 – Updated criteria to include spinal braces and non-custom orthotics, including coding.
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- 2025: May 06 – Updated criteria to include spinal braces and non-custom orthotics, including coding.

Coding:

Medically necessary with criteria:

Coding	Description
K0672	Addition to lower extremity orthotic, removable soft interface, all components, replacement only, each
K1007	Bilateral hip, knee, ankle, foot (HKAFO) device, powered, includes pelvic component, single or double upright(s), knee joints any type, with or without ankle joints any type, includes all components and accessories, motors, microprocessors, sensors
L0140	Cervical, semi-rigid, adjustable (plastic collar)
L0150	Cervical, semi-rigid, adjustable molded chin cup (plastic collar with mandibular/occipital piece)
L0160	Cervical, semi-rigid, wire frame occipital/mandibular support, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0170	Cervical, collar, molded to patient model
L0180	Cervical, multiple post collar, occipital/mandibular supports, adjustable
L0190	Cervical, multiple post collar, occipital/mandibular supports, adjustable cervical bars (SOMI, Guilford, Taylor types)
L0200	Cervical, multiple post collar, occipital/mandibular supports, adjustable cervical bars, and thoracic extension
L0220	Thoracic, rib belt, custom fabricated
L0450	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), flexible, provides trunk support, upper thoracicregion, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral disks with rigid stays or panel(s),includes shoulder straps and closures, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0452	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), flexible, provides trunk support, upper thoracicregion, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral disks with rigid stays or panel(s),includes shoulder straps and closures, custom fabricated
L0454	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), flexible, provides trunk support, extends fromsacrococcygeal junction to above T-9 vertebra, restricts gross trunk motion in the sagittal plane, producesintracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral disks with rigid stays or panel(s), includes shoulderstraps and closures, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwisecustomized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L0455	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), flexible, provides trunk support, extends fromsacrococcygeal junction to above T-9 vertebra, restricts gross trunk motion in the

	sagittal plane, producesintracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral disks with rigid stays or panel(s), includes shoulderstraps and closures, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0456	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), flexible, provides trunk support, thoracic region, rigid posterior panel and soft anterior apron, extends from the sacrococcygeal junction and terminates just inferior to the scapular spine, restricts gross trunk motion in the sagittal plane, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral disks, includes straps and closures, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L0457	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), flexible, provides trunk support, thoracic region, rigidposterior panel and soft anterior apron, extends from the sacrococcygeal junction and terminates just inferior tothe scapular spine, restricts gross trunk motion in the sagittal plane, produces intracavitary pressure to reduceload on the intervertebral disks, includes straps and closures, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0458	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), triplanar control, modular segmented spinal system,two rigid plastic shells, posterior extends from the sacrococcygeal junction and terminates just inferior to thescapular spine, anterior extends from the symphysis pubis to the xiphoid, soft liner, restricts gross trunk motionin the sagittal, coronal, and transverse planes, lateral strength is provided by overlapping plastic and stabilizingclosures, includes straps and closures, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L0460	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), triplanar control, modular segmented spinal system, two rigid plastic shells, posterior extends from the sacrococcygeal junction and terminates just inferior to the scapular spine, anterior extends from the symphysis pubis to the sternal notch, soft liner, restricts gross trunk motion in the sagittal, coronal, and transverse planes, lateral strength is provided by overlapping plastic and stabilizing closures, includes straps and closures, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L0462	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), triplanar control, modular segmented spinal system,three rigid plastic shells, posterior extends from the sacrococcygeal junction and terminates just inferior to thescapular spine, anterior extends from the symphysis pubis to the sternal notch, soft liner, restricts gross trunkmotion in the sagittal, coronal, and transverse planes, lateral strength is provided by overlapping plastic andstabilizing closures, includes straps and closures, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L0466	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), triplanar control, modular segmented spinal system, three rigid plastic shells, posterior extends from the sacrococcygeal junction and terminates just inferior to the scapular spine, anterior extends from the symphysis pubis to the sternal notch, soft liner, restricts gross trunk motion in the sagittal, coronal, and transverse planes, lateral strength is provided by overlapping plastic and stabilizing closures, includes straps and closures, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L0467	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), sagittal control, rigid posterior frame and flexible soft anterior apron with straps, closures and padding, restricts gross trunk motion in sagittal plane, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on intervertebral disks, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0468	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), sagittal-coronal control, rigid posterior frame andflexible soft anterior apron with straps, closures and padding, extends from sacrococcygeal junction overscapulae, lateral strength provided by pelvic, thoracic, and lateral frame pieces, restricts gross trunk motion insagittal, and coronal planes, produces

	intracavitary pressure to reduce load on intervertebral disks,prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specificpatient by an individual with expertise
L0469	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), sagittal-coronal control, rigid posterior frame andflexible soft anterior apron with straps, closures and padding, extends from sacrococcygeal junction overscapulae, lateral strength provided by pelvic, thoracic, and lateral frame pieces, restricts gross trunk motion insagittal and coronal planes, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on intervertebral disks,prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0470	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), triplanar control, rigid posterior frame and flexiblesoft anterior apron with straps, closures and padding extends from sacrococcygeal junction to scapula, lateralstrength provided by pelvic, thoracic, and lateral frame pieces, rotational strength provided by subclavicularextensions, restricts gross trunk motion in sagittal, coronal, and transverse planes, provides intracavitarypressure to reduce load on the intervertebral disks, includes fitting and shaping the frame, prefabricated,includes fitting and adjustment
L0472	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), triplanar control, hyperextension, rigid anterior andlateral frame extends from symphysis pubis to sternal notch with two anterior components (one pubic and onesternal), posterior and lateral pads with straps and closures, limits spinal flexion, restricts gross trunk motion insagittal, coronal, and transverse planes, includes fitting and shaping the frame, prefabricated, includes fittingand adjustment
L0480	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), triplanar control, one-piece rigid plastic shell withoutinterface liner, with multiple straps and closures, posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction andterminates just inferior to scapular spine, anterior extends from symphysis pubis to sternal notch, anterior orposterior opening, restricts gross trunk motion in sagittal, coronal, and transverse planes, includes a carvedplaster or CAD-CAM model, custom fabricated
L0482	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), triplanar control, one-piece rigid plastic shell withinterface liner, multiple straps and closures, posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction and terminates justinferior to scapular spine, anterior extends from symphysis pubis to sternal notch, anterior or posterior opening,restricts gross trunk motion in sagittal, coronal, and transverse planes, includes a carved plaster or CAD-CAMmodel, custom fabricated
L0484	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), triplanar control, two-piece rigid plastic shell withoutinterface liner, with multiple straps and closures, posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction andterminates just inferior to scapular spine, anterior extends from symphysis pubis to sternal notch, lateralstrength is enhanced by overlapping plastic, restricts gross trunk motion in the sagittal, coronal, and transverseplanes, includes a carved plaster or CAD-CAM model, custom fabricated
L0486	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), triplanar control, two-piece rigid plastic shell withinterface liner, multiple straps and closures, posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction and terminates justinferior to scapular spine, anterior extends from symphysis pubis to sternal notch, lateral strength is enhancedby overlapping plastic, restricts gross trunk motion in the sagittal, coronal, and transverse planes, includes acarved plaster or CAD-CAM model, custom fabricated
L0488	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), triplanar control, one-piece rigid plastic shell withinterface liner, multiple straps and closures, posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction and terminates justinferior to scapular spine, anterior extends from symphysis

	pubis to sternal notch, anterior or posterior opening,restricts gross trunk motion in sagittal, coronal, and transverse planes, prefabricated, includes fitting andadjustment
L0490	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), sagittal-coronal control, one-piece rigid plastic shell, with overlapping reinforced anterior, with multiple straps and closures, posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction and terminates at or before the T-9 vertebra, anterior extends from symphysis pubis to xiphoid, anterior opening, restricts gross trunk motion in sagittal and coronal planes, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L0491	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), sagittal-coronal control, modular segmented spinalsystem, two rigid plastic shells, posterior extends from the sacrococcygeal junction and terminates just inferiorto the scapular spine, anterior extends from the symphysis pubis to the xiphoid, soft liner, restricts gross trunkmotion in the sagittal and coronal planes, lateral strength is provided by overlapping plastic and stabilizingclosures, includes straps and closures, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L0492	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), sagittal-coronal control, modular segmented spinalsystem, three rigid plastic shells, posterior extends from the sacrococcygeal junction and terminates justinferior to the scapular spine, anterior extends from the symphysis pubis to the xiphoid, soft liner, restrictsgross trunk motion in the sagittal and coronal planes, lateral strength is provided by overlapping plastic andstabilizing closures, includes straps and closures, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L0621	Sacroiliac orthosis (SO), flexible, provides pelvic-sacral support, reduces motion about thesacroiliac joint, includes straps, closures, may include pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0622	Sacroiliac orthosis (SO), flexible, provides pelvic-sacral support, reduces motion about thesacroiliac joint, includes straps, closures, may include pendulous abdomen design, custom fabricated
L0623	Sacroiliac orthosis (SO), provides pelvic-sacral support, with rigid or semi-rigid panels overthe sacrum and abdomen, reduces motion about the sacroiliac joint, includes straps, closures, may includependulous abdomen design, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0624	Sacroiliac orthosis (SO), provides pelvic-sacral support, with rigid or semi-rigid panels placedover the sacrum and abdomen, reduces motion about the sacroiliac joint, includes straps, closures, mayinclude pendulous abdomen design, custom fabricated
L0625	Lumbar orthosis (LO), flexible, provides lumbar support, posterior extends from L-1 to belowL-5 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral discs, includes straps,closures, may include pendulous abdomen design, shoulder straps, stays, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0626	Lumbar orthosis (LO), sagittal control, with rigid posterior panel(s), posterior extends from L-1to below L-5 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral discs, includesstraps, closures, may include padding, stays, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated itemthat has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by anindividual with expertise
L0627	Lumbar orthosis (LO), sagittal control, with rigid anterior and posterior panels, posteriorextends from L-1 to below L-5 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebraldiscs, includes straps, closures, may include padding, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design,prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent,

	molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specificpatient by an individual with expertise
L0628	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), flexible, provides lumbo-sacral support, posterior extends fromsacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebraldiscs, includes straps, closures, may include stays, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design,prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0629	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), flexible, provides lumbo-sacral support, posterior extends fromsacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebraldiscs, includes straps, closures, may include stays, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design, customfabricated
L0630	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal control, with rigid posterior panel(s), posterior extendsfrom sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on theintervertebral discs, includes straps, closures, may include padding, stays, shoulder straps, pendulousabdomen design, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwisecustomized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L0631	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal control, with rigid anterior and posterior panels, posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral discs, includes straps, closures, may include padding, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L0632	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal control, with rigid anterior and posterior panels,posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce loadon the intervertebral discs, includes straps, closures, may include padding, shoulder straps, pendulousabdomen design, custom fabricated
L0633	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal-coronal control, with rigid posterior frame/panel(s),posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, lateral strength provided by rigid lateralframe/panels, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on intervertebral discs, includes straps, closures,may include padding, stays, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated item that has beentrimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual withexpertise
L0634	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal-coronal control, with rigid posterior frame/panel(s),posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, lateral strength provided by rigid lateralframe/panel(s), produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on intervertebral discs, includes straps,closures, may include padding, stays, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design, custom fabricated
L0635	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal-coronal control, lumbar flexion, rigid posteriorframe/panel(s), lateral articulating design to flex the lumbar spine, posterior extends from sacrococcygealjunction to T-9 vertebra, lateral strength provided by rigid lateral frame/panel(s), produces intracavitarypressure to reduce load on intervertebral discs, includes straps, closures, may include padding, anterior panel,pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment

L0636	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal-coronal control, lumbar flexion, rigid posteriorframe/panels, lateral articulating design to flex the lumbar spine, posterior extends from sacrococcygealjunction to T-9 vertebra, lateral strength provided by rigid lateral frame/panels, produces intracavitary pressureto reduce load on intervertebral discs, includes straps, closures, may include padding, anterior panel,pendulous abdomen design, custom fabricated
L0637	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal-coronal control, with rigid anterior and posteriorframe/panels, posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, lateral strength provided by rigidlateral frame/panels, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on intervertebral discs, includes straps,closures, may include padding, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated item that has beentrimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual withexpertise
L0638	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal-coronal control, with rigid anterior and posterior frame/panels, posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, lateral strength provided by rigid lateral frame/panels, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on intervertebral discs, includes straps, closures, may include padding, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design, custom fabricated
L0639	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal-coronal control, rigid shell(s)/panel(s), posteriorextends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, anterior extends from symphysis pubis to xyphoid,produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral discs, overall strength is provided byoverlapping rigid material and stabilizing closures, includes straps, closures, may include soft interface,pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwisecustomized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L0640	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal-coronal control, rigid shell(s)/panel(s), posteriorextends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, anterior extends from symphysis pubis to xyphoid,produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral discs, overall strength is provided byoverlapping rigid material and stabilizing closures, includes straps, closures, may include soft interface,pendulous abdomen design, custom fabricated
L0641	Lumbar orthosis (LO), sagittal control, with rigid posterior panel(s), posterior extends from L-1to below L-5 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral discs, includesstraps, closures, may include padding, stays, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0642	Lumbar orthosis (LO), sagittal control, with rigid anterior and posterior panels, posterior extends from L-1 to below L-5 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral discs, includes straps, closures, may include padding, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0643	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal control, with rigid posterior panel(s), posterior extendsfrom sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on theintervertebral discs, includes straps, closures, may include padding, stays, shoulder straps, pendulousabdomen design, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0648	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal control, with rigid anterior and posterior panels,posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce loadon the intervertebral discs, includes straps, closures,

	may include padding, shoulder straps, pendulousabdomen design, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0649	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal-coronal control, with rigid posterior frame/panel(s),posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, lateral strength provided by rigid lateralframe/panels, produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on intervertebral discs, includes straps, closures,may include padding, stays, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0650	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal-coronal control, with rigid anterior and posteriorframe/panel(s), posterior extends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, lateral strength provided byrigid lateral frame/panel(s), produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on intervertebral discs, includesstraps, closures, may include padding, shoulder straps, pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0651	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), sagittal-coronal control, rigid shell(s)/panel(s), posteriorextends from sacrococcygeal junction to T-9 vertebra, anterior extends from symphysis pubis to xyphoid,produces intracavitary pressure to reduce load on the intervertebral discs, overall strength is provided byoverlapping rigid material and stabilizing closures, includes straps, closures, may include soft interface,pendulous abdomen design, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L0700	Cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO), anterior-posterior-lateral control, molded to patient model, (Minerva type)
L0710	Cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO), anterior-posterior-lateral control, molded to patient model, with interface material, (Minerva type)
L0810	Halo procedure, cervical halo incorporated into jacket vest
L0820	Halo procedure, cervical halo incorporated into plaster body jacket
L0830	Halo procedure, cervical halo incorporated into Milwaukee type orthotic
L0861	Addition to halo procedure, replacement liner/interface material
L0970	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), corset front
L0974	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), full corset
L0976	Lumbar-sacral orthosis (LSO), full corset
L0980	Peroneal straps, prefabricated, off-the-shelf, pair
L0982	Stocking supporter grips, prefabricated, off-the-shelf, set of four (4)
L0984	Protective body sock, prefabricated, off-the-shelf, each

L0999	Addition to spinal orthosis, not otherwise specified
L1000	Cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) (Milwaukee), inclusive of furnishing initial orthotic, including model
L1001	Cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO), immobilizer, infant size, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L1005	Tension based scoliosis orthosis and accessory pads, includes fitting and adjustment
L1006	Scoliosis orthosis (SO), sagittal-coronal control provided by a rigid lateral frame, extends from axilla to trochanter, includes all accessory pads, straps and interface, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L1007	Scoliosis orthosis, sagittal-coronal control provided by a rigid lateral frame, extends from axilla to trochanter, includes all accessory pads, straps, and interface, custom fabricated
L1010	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, axilla sling
L1020	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, kyphosis pad
L1025	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, kyphosis pad, floating
L1030	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, lumbar bolster pad
L1040	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, lumbar or lumbar rib pad
L1050	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, sternal pad
L1060	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, thoracic pad
L1070	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, trapezius sling
L1080	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, outrigger
L1085	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, outrigger, bilateral with vertical extensions

L1090	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, lumbar sling
L1100	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, ring flange, plastic or leather
L1110	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or scoliosis orthosis, ring flange, plastic or leather, molded to patient model
L1120	Addition to cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO), scoliosis orthosis, cover for upright, each
L1200	Thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), inclusive of furnishing initial orthosis only
L1210	Addition to thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), (low profile), lateral thoracic extension
L1220	Addition to thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), (low profile), anterior thoracic extension
L1230	Addition to thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), (low profile), Milwaukee type superstructure
L1240	Addition to thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), (low profile), lumbar derotation pad
L1250	Addition to thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), (low profile), anterior ASIS pad
L1260	Addition to thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), (low profile), anterior thoracic derotation pad
L1270	Addition to thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), (low profile), abdominal pad
L1280	Addition to thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), (low profile), rib gusset (elastic), each
L1290	Addition to thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (TLSO), (low profile), lateral trochanteric pad
L1300	Other scoliosis procedure, body jacket molded to patient model
L1310	Other scoliosis procedure, postoperative body jacket
L1499	Spinal orthotic, not otherwise specified
L1600	Hip orthosis (HO), abduction control of hip joints, flexible, Frejka type with cover, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise

L1610	Hip orthosis (HO), abduction control of hip joints, flexible, (Frejka cover only), prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L1620	Hip orthosis (HO), abduction control of hip joints, flexible, (Pavlik harness), prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L1630	Hip orthosis (HO), abduction control of hip joints, semi-flexible (Von Rosen type), custom fabricated
L1640	Hip orthosis (HO), abduction control of hip joints, static, pelvic band or spreader bar, thigh cuffs, custom fabricated
L1650	Hip orthosis (HO), abduction control of hip joints, static, adjustable, (Ilfled type), prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L1653	Hip orthosis (HO), bilateral thigh cuffs with adjustable abductor spreader bar, adult size, prefabricated, off the shelf
L1660	Hip orthosis (HO), abduction control of hip joints, static, plastic, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L1680	Hip orthosis (HO), abduction control of hip joints, dynamic, pelvic control, adjustable hip motion control, thigh cuffs (Rancho hip action type), custom fabricated
L1681	Hip orthosis (HO), bilateral hip joints and thigh cuffs, adjustable flexion, extension, abduction control of hip joint, postoperative hip abduction type, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L1685	Hip orthosis (HO), abduction control of hip joint, postoperative hip abduction type, custom fabricated
L1686	Hip orthosis (HO), abduction control of hip joint, postoperative hip abduction type, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L1690	Combination, bilateral, lumbo-sacral, hip, femur orthosis providing adduction and internal rotation control, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L1700	Legg Perthes orthosis, (Toronto type), custom fabricated
L1710	Legg Perthes orthosis, (Newington type), custom fabricated
L1720	Legg Perthes orthosis, trilateral, (Tachdijan type), custom fabricated
L1730	Legg Perthes orthosis, (Scottish Rite type), custom fabricated

L1755	Legg Perthes orthosis, (Patten bottom type), custom fabricated
L2040	Hip-knee-ankle-foot orthosis (HKAFO), torsion control, bilateral rotation straps, pelvic band/belt, custom fabricated
L2050	Hip-knee-ankle-foot orthosis (HKAFO), torsion control, bilateral torsion cables, hip joint, pelvic band/belt, custom fabricated
L2060	Hip-knee-ankle-foot orthosis (HKAFO), torsion control, bilateral torsion cables, ball bearing hip joint, pelvic band/ belt, custom fabricated
L2070	Hip-knee-ankle-foot orthosis (HKAFO), torsion control, unilateral rotation straps, pelvic band/belt, custom fabricated
L2080	Hip-knee-ankle-foot orthosis (HKAFO), torsion control, unilateral torsion cable, hip joint, pelvic band/belt, custom fabricated
L2090	Hip-knee-ankle-foot orthosis (HKAFO), torsion control, unilateral torsion cable, ball bearing hip joint, pelvic band/ belt, custom fabricated
L2108	Ankle-foot orthosis (AFO), fracture orthosis, tibial fracture cast orthosis, custom fabricated
L2116	Ankle-foot orthosis (AFO), fracture orthosis, tibial fracture orthosis, rigid, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L2126	Knee-ankle-foot orthosis (KAFO), fracture orthosis, femoral fracture cast orthosis, thermoplastic type casting material, custom fabricated
L2128	Knee-ankle-foot orthosis (KAFO), fracture orthosis, femoral fracture cast orthosis, custom fabricated
L2132	Knee-ankle-foot orthosis (KAFO), fracture orthosis, femoral fracture cast orthosis, soft, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L2134	Knee-ankle-foot orthosis (KAFO), fracture orthosis, femoral fracture cast orthosis, semi-rigid, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L2136	Knee-ankle-foot orthosis (KAFO), fracture orthosis, femoral fracture cast orthosis, rigid, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L2180	Addition to lower extremity fracture orthosis, plastic shoe insert with ankle joints
L2182	Addition to lower extremity fracture orthosis, drop lock knee joint
L2184	Addition to lower extremity fracture orthosis, limited motion knee joint
L2186	Addition to lower extremity fracture orthosis, adjustable motion knee joint, Lerman type

L2188	Addition to lower extremity fracture orthosis, quadrilateral brim
L2190	Addition to lower extremity fracture orthosis, waist belt
L2192	Addition to lower extremity fracture orthosis, hip joint, pelvic band, thigh flange, and pelvic belt
L2405	Addition to knee joint, drop lock, each
L2415	Addition to knee lock with integrated release mechanism (bail, cable, or equal), any material, each joint
L2492	Addition to knee joint, lift loop for drop lock ring
L2500	Addition to lower extremity, thigh/weight bearing, gluteal/ischial weight bearing, ring
L2510	Addition to lower extremity, thigh/weight bearing, quadri-lateral brim, molded to patient model
L2520	Addition to lower extremity, thigh/weight bearing, quadri-lateral brim, custom fitted
L2525	Addition to lower extremity, thigh/weight bearing, ischial containment/narrow M-L brim molded to patient model
L2526	Addition to lower extremity, thigh/weight bearing, ischial containment/narrow M-L brim, custom fitted
L2530	Addition to lower extremity, thigh/weight bearing, lacer, nonmolded
L2540	Addition to lower extremity, thigh/weight bearing, lacer, molded to patient model
L2550	Addition to lower extremity, thigh/weight bearing, high roll cuff
L2999	Lower extremity orthoses, NOS
L3671	Shoulder orthosis (SO), shoulder joint design, without joints, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3674	Shoulder orthosis (SO), abduction positioning (airplane design), thoracic component and support bar, with or without nontorsion joint/turnbuckle, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3675	Shoulder orthosis (SO), vest type abduction restrainer, canvas webbing type or equal, prefabricated, off-the-shelf

L3677	Shoulder orthosis (SO), shoulder joint design, without joints, may include soft interface, straps, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L3678	Shoulder orthosis (SO), shoulder joint design, without joints, may include soft interface, straps, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L3702	Elbow orthosis (EO), without joints, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3710	Elbow orthosis (EO), elastic with metal joints, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L3720	Elbow orthosis (EO), double upright with forearm/arm cuffs, free motion, custom fabricated
L3730	Elbow orthosis (EO), double upright with forearm/arm cuffs, extension/ flexion assist, custom fabricated
L3740	Elbow orthosis (EO), double upright with forearm/arm cuffs, adjustable position lock with active control, custom fabricated
L3760	Elbow orthosis (EO), with adjustable position locking joint(s), prefabricated, item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L3761	Elbow orthosis (EO), with adjustable position locking joint(s), prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L3763	Elbow-wrist-hand orthosis (EWHO), rigid, without joints, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3764	Elbow-wrist-hand orthosis (EWHO), includes one or more nontorsion joints, elastic bands, turnbuckles, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3765	Elbow-wrist-hand-finger orthosis (EWHFO), rigid, without joints, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3766	Elbow-wrist-hand-finger orthosis (EWHFO), includes one or more nontorsion joints, elastic bands, turnbuckles, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3806	Wrist-hand-finger orthosis (WHFO), includes one or more nontorsion joint(s), turnbuckles, elastic bands/springs, may include soft interface material, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3807	Wrist-hand-finger orthosis (WHFO), without joint(s), prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise

L3808	Wrist-hand-finger orthosis (WHFO), rigid without joints, may include soft interface material; straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3809	Wrist-hand-finger orthosis (WHFO), without joint(s), prefabricated, off-the-shelf, any type
L3891	Addition to upper extremity joint, wrist or elbow, concentric adjustable torsion style mechanism for custom fabricated orthotics only, each
L3900	Wrist-hand-finger orthosis (WHFO), dynamic flexor hinge, reciprocal wrist extension/ flexion, finger flexion/extension, wrist or finger driven, custom fabricated
L3901	Wrist-hand-finger orthosis (WHFO), dynamic flexor hinge, reciprocal wrist extension/ flexion, finger flexion/extension, cable driven, custom fabricated
L3904	Wrist-hand-finger orthosis (WHFO), external powered, electric, custom fabricated
L3905	Wrist-hand orthosis (WHO), includes one or more nontorsion joints, elastic bands, turnbuckles, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3906	Wrist-hand orthosis (WHO), without joints, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3912	Hand-finger orthosis (HFO), flexion glove with elastic finger control, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L3913	Hand-finger orthosis (HFO), without joints, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3915	Wrist-hand orthosis (WHO), includes one or more nontorsion joint(s), elastic bands, turnbuckles, may include soft interface, straps, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L3916	Wrist-hand orthosis (WHO), includes one or more nontorsion joint(s), elastic bands, turnbuckles, may include soft interface, straps, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L3919	Hand orthosis (HO), without joints, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3921	Hand-finger orthosis (HFO), includes one or more nontorsion joints, elastic bands, turnbuckles, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3923	Hand-finger orthosis (HFO), without joints, may include soft interface, straps, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise

L3924	Hand-finger orthosis (HFO), without joints, may include soft interface, straps, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L3925	Finger orthosis (FO), proximal interphalangeal (PIP)/distal interphalangeal (DIP), nontorsion joint/spring, extension/flexion, may include soft interface material, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L3927	Finger orthosis (FO), proximal interphalangeal (PIP)/distal interphalangeal (DIP), without joint/spring, extension/flexion (e.g., static or ring type), may include soft interface material, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L3929	Hand-finger orthosis (HFO), includes one or more nontorsion joint(s), turnbuckles, elastic bands/springs, may include soft interface material, straps, prefabricated item that has been trimmed, bent, molded, assembled, or otherwise customized to fit a specific patient by an individual with expertise
L3930	Hand-finger orthosis (HFO), includes one or more nontorsion joint(s), turnbuckles, elastic bands/springs, may include soft interface material, straps, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
L3931	Wrist-hand-finger orthosis (WHFO), includes one or more nontorsion joint(s), turnbuckles, elastic bands/springs, may include soft interface material, straps, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3933	Finger orthosis (FO), without joints, may include soft interface, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3935	Finger orthosis (FO), nontorsion joint, may include soft interface, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3956	Addition of joint to upper extremity orthosis, any material; per joint
L3960	Shoulder-elbow-wrist-hand orthosis (SEWHO), abduction positioning, airplane design, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3961	Shoulder-elbow-wrist-hand orthosis (SEWHO), shoulder cap design, without joints, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3962	Shoulder-elbow-wrist-hand orthosis (SEWHO), abduction positioning, Erb's palsy design, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3967	Shoulder-elbow-wrist-hand orthosis (SEWHO), abduction positioning (airplane design), thoracic component and support bar, without joints, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3971	Shoulder-elbow-wrist-hand orthotic (SEWHO), shoulder cap design, includes one or more nontorsion joints, elastic bands, turnbuckles, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3973	Shoulder-elbow-wrist-hand orthosis (SEWHO), abduction positioning (airplane design), thoracic component and support bar, includes one or more nontorsion joints, elastic bands,

	turnbuckles, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3975	Shoulder-elbow-wrist-hand-finger orthosis (SEWHO), shoulder cap design, without joints, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3976	Shoulder-elbow-wrist-hand-finger orthosis (SEWHO), abduction positioning (airplane design), thoracic component and support bar, without joints, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3977	Shoulder-elbow-wrist-hand-finger orthosis (SEWHO), shoulder cap design, includes one or more nontorsion joints, elastic bands, turnbuckles, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3978	Shoulder-elbow-wrist-hand-finger orthosis (SEWHO), abduction positioning (airplane design), thoracic component and support bar, includes one or more nontorsion joints, elastic bands, turnbuckles, may include soft interface, straps, custom fabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
L3981	Upper extremity fracture orthosis, humeral, prefabricated, includes shoulder cap design, with or without joints, forearm section, may include soft interface, straps, includes fitting and adjustments
L3999	Upper limb orthosis, not otherwise specified
L4000	Replace girdle for spinal orthosis (cervical-thoracic-lumbar-sacral orthosis (CTLSO) or spinal orthosis SO)
L8300	Truss, single with standard pad
L8310	Truss, double with standard pads
L8320	Truss, addition to standard pad, water pad
L8340	Truss, addition to standard pad, scrotal pad

Considered Not Medically Necessary:

Coding	Description
K1007	Bilateral hip, knee, ankle, foot (HKAFO) device, powered, includes pelvic component, single or double upright(s), knee joints any type, with or without ankle joints any type, includes all components and accessories, motors, microprocessors, sensors
L8701	Powered upper extremity range of motion assist device, elbow, wrist, hand with single or double upright(s), includes microprocessor, sensors, all components and accessories, custom fabricated

L8702	Powered upper extremity range of motion assist device, elbow, wrist, hand, finger, single or double upright(s), includes microprocessor, sensors, all components and accessories, custom fabricated
L8720	External lower extremity sensory prosthesis, cutaneous stimulation of mechanoreceptors proximal to the ankle, per leg
L8721	Receptor sole for use with L8720, replacement, each

U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) - approved only products only.

The preceding codes are included above for informational purposes only and may not be all inclusive. Additionally, inclusion or exclusion of a treatment, procedure, or device code(s) does not constitute or imply member coverage or provider reimbursement.

Special Notes: *

- Coverage: See the appropriate benefit document for specific coverage determination. Member specific benefits take precedence over medical policy.
    - For members under the age of 21 years enrolled in Sentara Health Plan Virginia Medicaid product, coverage may be explored through Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment under individual consideration.
- Application to Products: Policy is applicable to Sentara Health Plan Virginia Medicaid products.
- Authorization Requirements: Pre-certification by the Plan is required.
- Special Notes:
    - This medical policy express Sentara Health Plan's determination of medical necessity of services, and they are based upon a review of currently available clinical information. These policies are used when no specific guidelines for coverage are provided by the Department of Medical Assistance Services of Virginia (DMAS). Medical Policies may be superseded by state Medicaid Plan guidelines. Medical policies are not a substitute for clinical judgment or for any prior authorization requirements of the health plan. These policies are not an explanation of benefits.
    - Medical policies can be highly technical and complex and are provided here for informational purposes. These medical policies are intended for use by health care professionals. The medical policies do not constitute medical advice or medical care. Treating health care professionals are solely responsible for diagnosis, treatment and medical advice. Sentara Health Plan members should discuss the information in the medical policies with their treating health care professionals. Medical technology is constantly evolving and these medical policies are subject to change without notice, although Sentara Health Plan will notify providers as required in advance of changes that could have a negative impact on benefits.
    - The Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) covers services, products, or procedures for children, if those items are determined to be medically necessary to "correct or ameliorate" (make better) a defect, physical or mental illness, or condition (health problem) identified through routine medical screening or examination, regardless of whether coverage for the same service or support is an optional or limited service under the state plan. Children enrolled in the FAMIS Program are not eligible for all EPSDT treatment services. All requests for authorization for the services described by this medical policy will be reviewed per EPSDT guidelines. These services may be authorized under individual consideration for Medicaid members under the age of 21-years if the services are judged to by medically necessary to correct or ameliorate the member's condition. Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS), Supplement B - EPSDT (Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment) Manual.
        - **Documentation Requirements** DME Chapter IV (updated 12.5.25) Final.pdf Appendix B Orthotics December 2026 All durable medical equipment (DME) and supplies must be ordered by a practitioner on the form: CMN/DMAS-352 (revised 2017) and must be medically necessary to treat a health condition. The CMN/DMAS352 may be completed by the practitioner, DME provider, or other health care professionals, but the practitioner must sign and date the completed Certification of Medical Necessity (CMN).
        - The CMN and any supporting verifiable documentation must be completed (signed and dated by the practitioner) within 60 days.

- The CMN shall be valid for a maximum period of six (6) months for Medicaid individuals under 21 years of age. The CMN shall be valid for a maximum period of twelve (12) months for Medicaid individuals 21 years and older.

- **Repair vs. Replacement Guidelines**
  - If individual owned equipment needs to be replaced prior to the service limit (Per Appendix B) expiring the provider will be required to justify and obtain service authorization.
  - Documentation for service authorization should include the required information as stated in this manual and the provider shall also include additional documentation as stated below:
    - What equipment the individual is currently using and why that equipment is no longer appropriate for the individual. This description shall include the reason why repairs could not be done or why the option to repair the equipment was not cost effective.
    - The provider shall include a breakdown of what items need to be repaired and include the cost to repair the items to justify why the purchase of new equipment would be more cost effective; and
    - If the item is no longer appropriate due to a change in medical condition, limitations and symptoms, or if the equipment was provided inappropriately, the provider shall give justification to describe the circumstances.
- **Rental vs. Purchase Guideline**
  - When determined to be cost effective by SHP, payment may be made for rental of the equipment in lieu of purchase. (12 VAC 30-50-165)
  - When usage is anticipated to be long-term, and the individual's need or condition is not expected to change, the items must be considered for purchase

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