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COVERAGE CRITERIA FOR COMPRESSION STOCKINGS

Compression stockings may be covered by insurance if proper documentation is provided to follow their insurance guidelines.

MEDICAID AND PRIVATE INSURANCE GUIDELINES: Medicaid and most private insurances may cover the cost of compression stockings with a valid standard written order.

● **STANDARD WRITTEN ORDER:** A valid order must be obtained prior to delivery of compressions stockings. Prescription must include the level of compression support (15-20mmHg or 20-30mmHg) and height of stockings (knee or thigh). Patient must have a diagnosis that supports that need for compression.

- Arching/Fatigued Legs
- Venous Ulcers
- Sclerotherapy
- Edema
- Hypertrophic Scar
- Venous Insufficiency
- Pregnancy
- Lymphedema
- Burn scar management DVT
- Varicosity
- Lipedema

MEDICARE GUIDELINES: Medicare may cover the cost of compression stockings, but **ONLY** if the patient has a true lymphedema diagnosis. Physician must provide an order and face-to-face documentation that supports medical necessity.

● **STANDARD WRITTEN ORDER:** A valid order must be obtained prior to delivery compressions stockings. Patient must have a diagnosis of lymphedema in order to qualify for compression stockings through Medicare. Prescription must include the level of compression support (15-20mmHg or 20-30mmHg) and height of stockings (knee or thigh).

● **FACE-TO-FACE NOTES:** The patient must have a face-to-face clinical evaluation by the treating physician within 6 months prior to the date of the order. The physician must document the patient's lymphedema diagnosis and the need for compression stockings.

MEASUREMENTS: In order to properly fit the patient for compression stockings, we need measurements of their ankle, calf, and thigh (*if ordering thigh high*). If you are able to measure the patient in the clinic, please include their measurements with the documentation that you fax to us. If you are unable to measure the patient, we will measure them in their local Frontier store.

E-PRESCRIBE: Frontier Home Medical makes ordering equipment easier with electronic ordering through Parachute. Visit our website (FrontierHomeMedical.com) to learn more about Parachute and get started with electronic ordering.

FAX PRESCRIPTION & FACE-TO-FACE NOTES TO THE LOCAL FRONTIER BRANCH.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Frontier Home Medical. Thank you for your cooperation!

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