

UnitedHealthcare® Community Plan *Medical Policy*

Walkers (for Kansas Only)

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Instructions for Use

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Related Policies

- <u>Durable Medical Equipment, Orthotics, Medical</u>
 <u>Supplies, and Repairs/Replacements (for Kansas Only)</u>
- Pediatric Gait Trainers and Standing Systems (for Kansas Only)

Application

This Medical Policy only applies to the state of Kansas.

Coverage Rationale

For medical necessity clinical coverage criteria for walkers, refer to the <u>Kansas Medical Assistance Program Durable Medical Equipment Fee-for-Service Provider Manual.</u>

Applicable Codes

The following list(s) of procedure and/or diagnosis codes is provided for reference purposes only and may not be all inclusive. Listing of a code in this policy does not imply that the service described by the code is a covered or non-covered health service. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by federal, state, or contractual requirements and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment. Other Policies and Guidelines may apply.

| HCPCS Code | Description |
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| A4636 | Replacement, handgrip, cane, crutch, or walker, each |
| A4637 | Replacement, tip, cane, crutch, walker, each |
| E0130 | Walker, rigid (pickup), adjustable or fixed height |
| E0135 | Walker, folding (pickup), adjustable or fixed height |
| E0140 | Walker, with trunk support, adjustable or fixed height, any type |
| E0141 | Walker, rigid, wheeled, adjustable or fixed height |
| E0143 | Walker, folding, wheeled, adjustable or fixed height |
| E0144 | Walker, enclosed, four-sided framed, rigid or folding, wheeled with posterior seat |
| E0147 | Walker, heavy duty, multiple braking system, variable wheel resistance |
| E0148 | Walker, heavy-duty, without wheels, rigid or folding, any type, each |
| E0149 | Walker, heavy-duty, wheeled, rigid or folding, any type |
| E0154 | Platform attachment, walker, each |
| E0155 | Wheel attachment, rigid pick-up walker, per pair |
| E0156 | Seat attachment, walker |
| E0157 | Crutch attachment, walker, each |

| HCPCS Code | Description |
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| E0158 | Leg extensions for walker, per set of four |
| E0159 | Brake attachment for wheeled walker, replacement, each |

References

Kansas Medical Assistance Program Durable Medical Equipment Fee-for-Service Provider Manual. Available at: https://portal.kmap-state-ks.us/Documents/Provider/Provider/20Manuals/DME_24171_24094.pdf. Accessed November 15, 2024.

Policy History/Revision Information

| Date | Summary of Changes |
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| 06/01/2025 | New Medical Policy |

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This Medical Policy provides assistance in interpreting UnitedHealthcare standard benefit plans. When deciding coverage, the federal, state, or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage must be referenced as the terms of the federal, state, or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage may differ from the standard benefit plan. In the event of a conflict, the federal, state, or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage govern. Before using this policy, please check the federal, state, or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage. UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to modify its policies and guidelines as necessary. This Medical Policy is provided for informational purposes. It does not constitute medical advice.

UnitedHealthcare uses InterQual® for the primary medical/surgical criteria, and the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) criteria for substance use disorder (SUD) services, in administering health benefits. If InterQual® does not have applicable criteria, UnitedHealthcare may also use UnitedHealthcare Medical Policies that have been approved by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. The UnitedHealthcare Medical Policies are intended to be used in connection with the independent professional medical judgment of a qualified health care provider and do not constitute the practice of medicine or medical advice.