

Information Needed			
Patient's Acct #	Prescribing MD	Authorization #	Caregiver Name
Patient's Name	Primary MD	Authorization Date	Caregiver Address
Patient's Address	Center of Record		Caregiver Phone #
Patient's DOB	Diagnosis		

Simple Cane	Common Diagnosis			
This is a length of wood or aluminum tubing with handle used to steady the gait of an individual and lengths are related to patient height. Canes must fit the patient at correct hand height from ground when patient is standing.	719.4	Joint Pain	332.0	Parkinson's Dz
	719.7	Ambulation, Difficulty Walking	340.0	Multiple Sclerosis
	715.9	Osteoarthritis	428.0	CHF
	733.0	Osteoporosis	431.0	CVA
	714.0		343.9	Cerebral Palsy



Coverage Guidelines:

- Not covered if patient has other ambulatory aids such as walker or wheelchair.
- Order indicates that the patient has impaired ambulation and there is a potential for ambulation.

Inquiries for Therapeutic Need:

- Will the patient need assistance to ambulate when walking longer distances?

Cap Item: Yes