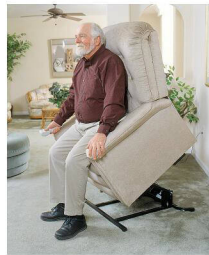




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Lift Chair Fact Sheet



Raised position



Reclined

General Overview

Lift chairs come in a variety of styles and sizes, the one common element is the ability for the chair to “raise up” thereby assisting individuals for whom standing independently from a sitting position is difficult. The chair is also excellent for wheelchair bound patients who are difficult to transfer. All lift chairs both recline, as well as raise-up using an electric control. This provides an easy way to vary a patients position.

Important Considerations

Since most lift chairs perform in a similar manner personal preference is an important consideration in choosing the correct model. Additionally size and available space is important considerations. Most lift chair models need to be at least inches away from the wall and require room in front of them to recline

Insurance Coverage

Medicare and other insurance carriers will reimburse patients for part of the Lift Chair cost. Reimbursement is based on the cost of the lift element not the entire chair. Medicare’s 2006 fee schedule for a lift chair is \$330.71 of which they pay 80%. Those patients with secondary insurance are eligible for the additional 20%. For other insurance carriers we will confirm coverage and reimbursement on a case by case basis. Medicare will deny lift chair claims for patients with wheelchairs reimbursed by Medicare.

General Pricing Information

Lift Chairs start in the \$500 range and can sell for as much as \$1,500.00. Chair prices will vary depending on a variety of features including chair size, fabric selection, chair style, 2 position (less recline) vs 3 position(max recline) chairs. There are also heavy duty chairs and “wall hugger” chairs which require less room to lift and recline.