

Letter of Medical Necessity (Sample for most commonly dispensed pre-fabricated and custom devices)

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Patient D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance ID# : \_\_\_\_\_

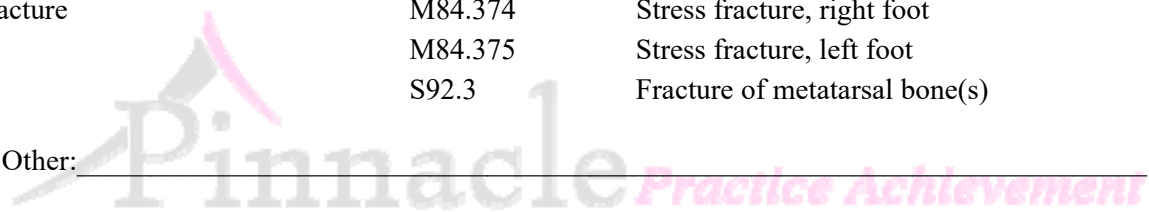
Possible Diagnosis Code (s):

Achilles Tendinitis	M76.61	Achilles tendinitis, right
	M76.62	Achilles tendinitis, left
Ankle Sprain, Grade 1	S93.411	Sprain of ankle calcaneofibular, right
	S93.412	Sprain of ankle calcaneofibular, left
Ankle Sprain, Grade 2, 3	M25.571	Pain in ankle and joints of foot, right
	M25.572	Pain in ankle and joints of foot, left
	M24.871	Other specific joint derangements of ankle, right
	M24.872	Other specific joint derangements of ankle, left
Ankle Instability	S93.411	Sprain of ankle calcaneofibular, right
	S93.412	Sprain of ankle calcaneofibular, left
	M24.871	Other specific joint derangements of ankle, right
	M24.872	Other specific joint derangements of ankle, left
Gait Instability	M62.81	Muscle weakness, generalized
	R26.0	Ataxic gait
	R26.2	Difficulty walking
	R26.81	Unsteadiness on feet
	R26.89	Other abnormalities of gait and mobility
Plantar Fasciitis	M72.2	Plantar fascial fibromatosis
Posterior Tibial Tendonitis	M76.821	Posterior tibial tendonitis, right
	M76.822	Posterior tibial tendonitis, left
Adult Acquired Flatfoot (PTTD)	M21.41	Flat foot, acquired, right
	M21.42	Flat foot, acquired, left
	M66.871	Spontaneous rupture of tendons of ankle, foot, right
	M66.872	Spontaneous rupture of tendons of ankle, foot, left

Peroneal Tendonitis	M65.871	Other synovitis and tenosynovitis, ankle and foot, right
	M65.872	Other synovitis and tenosynovitis, ankle and foot, left
Tarsal Tunnel Syndrome	M79.671	Pain in joint, ankle, foot, right
	M79.672	Pain in joint, ankle, foot, left
	M65.871	Other synovitis, ankle, foot, right
	M65.872	Other synovitis, ankle, foot, left
Sinus Tarsi Syndrome	M25.571	Pain in right ankle and joints of foot
	M25.572	Pain in left ankle and joints of foot
Charcot, active	E13.610	Diabetes with neuropathic neuropathy
	M14.671	Charcôt's joint, right ankle and foot
	M14.672	Charcôt's joint, left ankle and foot
Charcot, Static	M14.671	Charcôt's joint, right ankle and foot
	M14.672	Charcôt's joint, left ankle and foot
	M19.071	Primary osteoarthritis, right ankle and foot
	M19.072	Primary osteoarthritis, left ankle and foot
	M21.41	Flat foot [pes planus] (acquired), right foot
	M21.42	Flat foot [pes planus] (acquired), left foot
Flaccid Drop Foot	M21.371	Foot Drop, acquired, right
	M21.372	Foot drop, acquired, left
	G60.0	Hereditary motor and sensory neuropathy
	G35	Multiple sclerosis
Spastic Equinus	M21.371	Foot Drop, acquired, right
	M21.372	Foot drop, acquired, left
	M62.831	Spasm of calf muscle
	M21.531	Acquired clawfoot, right
	M21.532	Acquired clawfoot, left
	M21.541	Acquired clubfoot, right
	M21.542	Acquired clubfoot, left
Rigid Equinovarus	Q66.0	Congenital talipes equinovarus
	M21.541	Acquired clubfoot, right

Degenerative Joint Disease, Ankle, Rearfoot	M21.542	Acquired clubfoot, left
	M19.071	Primary osteoarthritis, ankle and foot, right
	M19.072	Primary osteoarthritis, ankle and foot, left
	M25.571	Pain in ankle and joints of foot, right
	M25.572	Pain in ankle and joints of foot, LEFT
Pediatric Trauma	M84.361A	Stress fracture, tibia
	M84.362A	Stress fracture, tibia
	S93.419	Sprain of calcaneofibular ligament of unspecified ankle
	S93.429	Sprain of deltoid ligament of unspecified ankle
	S93.439	Sprain of tibiofibular ligament of unspecified ankle
Post Surgery	S92.3	Fracture of metatarsal bone(s)
	S92.4	Fracture of great toe
	S92.5	Fracture of lesser toe(s)
	M25.571	Pain in right ankle and joints of foot
	M25.572	Pain in left ankle and joints of foot
Metatarsal Fracture	M84.374	Stress fracture, right foot
	M84.375	Stress fracture, left foot
	S92.3	Fracture of metatarsal bone(s)

Other:



The following *prefabricated* ankle foot orthotic device(s) have been prescribed for the above patient:

- L4361: Walking Boot, Pneumatic And/Or Vacuum, With Or Without Joints, With Or Without Interface Material, Prefabricated, Off-The-Shelf
- L4397: Statis or dynamic ankle foot orthosis, including soft interface material, adjustable for fit, for positioning, may be used for minimal ambulation, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
- L4387: Walking Boot, Non-Pneumatic, With Or Without Joints, With Or Without Interface Material, Prefabricated, Off-The-Shelf
- L1902: Ankle orthosis, ankle gauntlet or similar, with or without joints, prefabricated, off-the-shelf
- L1906: Ankle Foot Orthosis, Multiligamentus Ankle Support, Prefabricated, Off-The-Shelf
- L1971: AFO, plastic or other material with ankle joint, prefabricated, includes fitting and adjustment
- L1951: Ankle Foot Orthosis, Spiral, (Institute Of Rehabilitative Medicine Type), Plastic Or Other Material, Prefabricated, Includes Fitting And Adjustment
- L1932: Afo, Rigid Anterior Tibial Section, Total Carbon Fiber Or Equal Material, Prefabricated, Includes Fitting And Adjustment

Duration of Treatment/Medical Necessity for *pre-fabricated* device:

This Pre-fabricated AFO is appropriate to treat patient \_\_\_\_\_'s condition as he/she suffers with weakness, pain or deformity of the foot and ankle, requires stabilization for medical reasons and has the potential to benefit functionally from the use of this device.

Patient \_\_\_\_\_ will be re-evaluated to determine the length of time required to remain in the said device or to be fitted with an alternate device.

The following *Custom* Ankle-Foot Orthosis (AFO) & Component Parts have been prescribed for the above patient:

- L1970: AFO, plastic, with ankle joint, custom fabricated
- L2210: Addition to lower extremity, dorsiflexion assist (plantar flexion resist), each joint
- L2270: Addition to lower extremity, varus/valgus correction strap, padded/lined or malleolus pad
- L2820: Addition to lower extremity, soft tissue interface for molded plastic, below knee section
- L1940: AFO, plastic or other material, custom fabricated
- L2275: Addition to lower extremity, varus/valgus correction, plastic modification, padded/lined
- L2280: Addition to lower extremity, molded inner boot
- L1960: AFO, posterior solid ankle, plastic, custom fabricated
- L2330: Addition to lower extremity, lacer molded to patient model, for custom fabricated orthosis only
  
- L2340: Addition to lower extremity, pretibial shell, molded to patient model

- L3000: Foot insert, removable, molded to patient model. "UCBL" Type, Berkeley Shell, each. Plastic device, molded over model of patient's foot to provide control of the foot.
- L3020: Foot insert, molded to patient model, longitudinal and metatarsal support, each. A device molded over a model of the patient's foot and placed in the shoe to provide support under the ball of the foot.

Duration of Treatment/Medical Necessity for *custom* device:

The patient designated above qualifies for and will benefit from an ankle-foot orthosis based on the following criteria:

- The condition necessitating the orthosis is expected to be permanent or of longstanding duration (more than 6 months)
- The patient has had an orthopedic injury that requires bracing
- There is a need to control the ankle or foot in more than one plane
- The patient has a documented neurological, circulatory, or orthopedic condition that requires custom fabrication over a model of the patient's extremity to prevent tissue injury
- The patient has a healing fracture which lacks normal anatomical integrity or anthropometric proportions

I hereby certify that the ankle-foot orthosis described above is a rigid or semi-rigid device which is used for the purpose of improving mobility, improving lower extremity stability, decreasing pain, and/ or facilitating soft tissue healing. The prognosis for this patient is excellent with the use of the above devices. A custom or pre-fabricated ankle-foot orthosis has been prescribed, based on the above diagnosis codes, in order to improve the patient's condition and ability to ambulate.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Physician Printed Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Physician Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_ (UPIN)      \_\_\_\_\_ (NPI)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

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