# MedStar Health, Inc. POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

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SUBJECT: **Hospital Beds and Accessories** 

INDEX TITLE: **Medical Management** 

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This policy applies to the following lines of business: (Check those that

apply.)

COMMERCIAL	[ ] HMO	[ ] PPO	[ ] Fully Insured	[ ] Individual Product	[ ] Marketplace (Exchange)	[X]AII
GOVERNMENT	[] MA HMO	[] MA PPO	[ ] MA C-SNP	[] MA D-SNP	[X]MA AII	
PROGRAMS	[ ] Medicaid					
OTHER	[ X ] Self-funde	d/ASO				

#### I. **POLICY**

It is the policy of MedStar Health, Inc. to provide capped rental payment for hospital beds and accessories for use in the home when they are medically necessary and covered by the member's specific benefit plan.

#### II. **DEFINITIONS**

Extra heavy duty hospital bed -- a hospital bed capable of supporting a patient who weighs more than 600 pounds.

Fixed height hospital bed -- a hospital bed with manual head and leg elevation adjustments but no height adjustment.

Heavy duty extra wide hospital bed -- a hospital bed capable of supporting a patient who weighs more than 350 pounds, but no more than 600 pounds.

Ordinary bed -- a bed which is typically sold as furniture. It may consist of a frame, box spring and mattress. It is a fixed height and may or may not have head or leg elevation adjustments.

**Pediatric Specialty Beds** -- (Refer to MP.036- Pediatric Specialty Beds policy)



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**Safety enclosure frame/canopy** -- a safety enclosure used to prevent a patient from leaving the bed.

**Semi-electric hospital bed** -- a hospital bed with manual height adjustment and with electric head and leg elevation adjustments.

**Total electric hospital bed** -- a hospital bed with electric height adjustment and with electric head and leg elevation adjustments.

**Variable height hospital bed** -- a hospital bed with manual height adjustment and with manual head and leg elevation adjustments.

# III. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to define the indications for medical necessity for hospital beds and accessories for use in the home.

# IV. SCOPE

This policy applies to various MedStar Health, Inc. departments.

## V. PROCEDURE

#### A. Medical Description

N/A

#### **B.** Indications

#### **Hospital Beds**

Hospital beds are covered for adult and pediatric members when the indications for the following specific beds are met:

Extra Heavy-Duty Hospital Bed is covered when both the following are met:

- 1. The member meets one of the indications for a hospital bed.
- 2. The member's weight exceeds 600 pounds.

Fixed Height Hospital Bed is covered for any of the following:

1. When the member's medical condition requires positioning of the body in ways not reasonable with an ordinary bed. Elevation of the head/upper body less than 30 degrees does not usually require the use of a hospital bed.



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2. When the member requires positioning of the body in ways not reasonable with an ordinary bed in order to alleviate pain.

- When the member requires the head of the bed to be elevated more than 30 degrees, most of the time due to congestive heart failure, chronic pulmonary disease, or problems with aspiration. Pillows or wedges must have been considered and ruled out.
- 4. When the member requires traction equipment, which can only be attached to a hospital bed.

Heavy Duty Extra Wide Hospital Bed is covered when both of the following are met:

- 1. The member meets one of the indications for a fixed height hospital bed.
- 2. The member's weight is more than 350 pounds, but does not exceed 600 pounds.

Semi-Electric Hospital Bed is covered when both the following are met:

- 1. The member meets one of the indications for a fixed height bed.
- 2. Member requires frequent changes in body position and/or has an immediate need for a change in body position.

Total Electric Hospital Beds

Total electric hospital beds are not covered (the height adjustment feature is a convenience feature).

Variable Height Hospital Bed is covered when both of the following are met:

- 1. The member meets one of the indications for a fixed height hospital bed.
- 2. Member requires a bed height different than a fixed height hospital bed to permit transfers to chair, wheelchair or standing position.

## **Accessories**

Bed cradle is covered when it is necessary to prevent contact with the bed coverings.

Heavy Duty Trapeze Equipment when both of the following are met:

- 1. If the member meets the criteria for regular trapeze equipment.
- 2. The member's weight is more than 250 pounds.

Side Rails or Safety Enclosures when both of the following are met:

- 1. When they are required by the patient's condition.
- 2. They are an integral part of, or an accessory to, a covered hospital bed.

Trapeze Equipment is covered if the member needs this device to sit up because of a respiratory condition, to change body position for other medical reasons, or to get in or out of bed.



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Replacement Innerspring Mattress or Foam Rubber Mattress is covered when both of the following are met:

- 1. When the member's condition requires a replacement innerspring mattress.
- 2. When the member owns the bed.

#### C. Limitations/Exclusions

#### Limitation:

A written signed and dated order must be received by the supplier before a claim is submitted.

#### **Exclusions:**

The following are considered not medically necessary and not appropriate for home use and therefore **not covered** because most items are not primarily medical in nature or are for convenience:

- Bed board
- Bed elevators
- Bed rail pads
- Bed wedges
- Bedroom equipment, custom
- Continuous lateral motion beds
- Kinetic therapy beds
- Manual/power lounge beds
- Non hospital adjustable beds, ordinary beds (e.g., Simmons® Beautyrest® Adjustable bed, Craftmatic® Adjustable bed, Adjust-a Sleep Adjustable bed, Electrometric adjustable bed)
- Over-bed table
- Oscillating beds
- Regular room furniture
- Safety accessories and devices (e.g., Posey Bed canopy beds, Vail Simmons® Enclosed beds
- Stryker frame beds
- Total electric hospital beds (the height adjustment feature is a convenience feature)
- Waterbeds

#### D. Codes

The following codes for treatments and procedures applicable to this policy are included below for informational purposes. Inclusion or exclusion of a procedure, diagnosis or device code(s) does not constitute or imply member coverage or provider reimbursement policy. Please refer to the member's



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contract benefits in effect at the time of service to determine coverage or noncoverage of these services as it applies to an individual member.

# Covered

## **Beds**

Fixed Height Hospital Beds	<b>Fixed</b>	Height	Hospita	l Beds
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E0250	Hospital bed, fixed height, with any type side rails, with mattress
E0251	Hospital bed, fixed height, with any type side rails, without mattress
E0290	Hospital bed, fixed height, without side rails, with mattress
E0291	Hospital bed, fixed height, without side rails, without mattress

# **Variable Height Beds**

E0255	Hospital bed, variable height, hi-lo, with any type side rails, with
	mattress
E0256	Hospital bed, variable height, hi-lo, with any type side rails, without
	mattress
E0292	Hospital bed, variable height, hi-lo, without side rails, with mattress
E0293	Hospital bed, variable height, hi-lo, without side rails, without mattress

#### **Semi-Electric Beds**

E0260	Hospital bed, semi-electric (head and foot adjustment), with any type side rails, with mattress
E0261	Hospital bed, semi-electric (head and foot adjustment), with any type side rails, without mattress
E0294	Hospital bed, semi-electric (head and foot adjustment), without side rails, with mattress
E0295	Hospital bed, semi-electric (head and foot adjustment), without side

# **Heavy Duty Beds**

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E0301	Hospital bed, heavy duty, extra wide, with weight capacity greater than
	350 pounds, but less than or equal to 600 pounds, with any type side
	rails, without mattress

- E0302 Hospital bed, extra heavy duty, extra wide, with weight capacity greater than 600 pounds, with any type side rails, without mattress
- E0303 Hospital bed, heavy duty, extra wide, with weight capacity greater than 350 pounds, but less than or equal to 600 pounds, with any type side rails, with mattress



rails, without mattress

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E0304 Hospital bed, extra heavy duty, extra wide, with weight capacity greater than 600 pounds, with any type side rails, with mattress

# Covered

## **Accessories**

E0271	Mattress, innerspring
E0272	Mattress, foam rubber
E0280	Bed cradle, any type
E0305	Bed side rails, half length
E0310	Bed side rails, full length
E0910	Trapeze bars, aka patient helper, attached to bed, with grab bar
E0911	Trapeze bar, heavy duty, for patient weight capacity greater than 250 pounds, attached to bed, with grab bar
E0912	Trapeze bar, heavy duty, for patient weight capacity greater than 250 pounds, free standing, complete with grab bar
E0940	Trapeze bar, free standing, complete with grab bar

#### Non Covered

## **Accessories**

E0273\* Bed board E0274 Over-bed table

E0315\* Bed accessory: board, table, or support device, any type

## Non Covered

#### Beds

E0265	Hospital bed, total electric (head, foot and height adjustments), with
	any type side rails, with mattress
E0266	Hospital had total electric (head foot and height adjustments) with

E0266 Hospital bed, total electric (head, foot and height adjustments), with any type side rails, without mattress

E0296 Hospital bed, total electric (head, foot and height adjustments), without side rails, with mattress

E0297 Hospital bed, total electric (head, foot and height adjustments), without side rails, without mattress

(Exception for coverage: Refer to Variation section)

## E. Variations

## **Medical Assistance Product**

Total electric beds are considered medically necessary when indications for semi-electric bed are met. (Refer to Indication section)



<sup>\*</sup> Exception: These codes are **covered** for the Medical Assistance Product only

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# F. Quality Audit

Quality Audit monitors policy compliance and/or billing accuracy at the request of the MedStar Health, Inc.

#### G. Records Retention

Records Retention for documents, regardless of medium, is provided within the MedStar Health System Policy HS-LE0009 Records Retention, Management and Retirement, and as indicated in the Insurance Services Division Policy and Procedure CORP.028.MH Records Retention.

Unless otherwise mandated by Federal or State law, or unless required to be maintained for litigation purposes, any communications recorded pursuant to this Policy are maintained for a minimum of ten (10) years from the date of recording

#### H. References

# **Regulatory/Government Source:**

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