



Bath Transfer System Letter of Medical Necessity

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Physician: (insert name here)
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Insurance: (insert Primary Insurance)
Policy #:
Secondary Insurance: (Insert Secondary Ins)
Policy #:

DOB: 01/01/2005
Duration of Need: Lifetime
Diagnosis: (insert all diagnoses)
Height: (insert height)
Weight: (insert weight)

The following is medical necessity justification for an Ultima Bath Transfer System for JT. JT is a 12 year old male with a primary diagnosis of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD). JT's highest level of gross motor skills is static sitting with support of both upper extremities. In sitting, JT presents with an anterior pelvis and resulting increased lumbar lordosis. However, without adequate support JT will fall forward, to the side, or backward and feels unsafe unless he has a back support behind him. JT actively participates in directing all of his care.

I have been JT's primary physical therapist for the last 6 years. I have recommended numerous pieces of equipment for JT as required by the progression of his diagnosis. I have worked with children for 10 years both in the clinical and school settings. I have recommended all types of rehabilitation equipment for clients over that period of time including numerous adaptive bathing systems.

JT is currently confined to his wheelchair for the duration of the school day. At home JT is bed or wheelchair confined. JT had been using a standard bath chair. This required JT to be carried from the hallway and then lowered into the tub and onto the bath chair. Because of JT's overall height and weight, his caregivers are no longer able to transfer him onto the bath chair. JT's home does not have an accessible shower. The only shower available for JT is a bathtub/ shower combination. His family is not able to modify the bathroom at this time. Consequently, JT is not able to be bathed by his caregivers. Therefore, I am recommending that JT receive an Ultima Bath Transfer System. The Ultima bath transfer system will allow JT to be safely transferred via a patient lift in his bedroom to the mobile base section of the Ultima transfer system. JT can then be wheeled into the bathroom, where the mobile base is docked to the tub portion. Then JT can be moved over into the tub safely and without any risk of falls. The Ultima Bath Transfer System will provide JT an appropriate level of support to allow him to be safe while bathing. The adjustable backrest can be set at an upright angle which JT prefers in order to feel secure. Without the recommended bath chair, it will not be possible to safely bath and care for JT's hygiene requirements. I have evaluated JT for the Ultima bath transfer system in our clinic. The Ultima fits well, provides the required support, has adjustable tilt and recline angles for

ease of bathing, and will accommodate several years of growth. Additionally, his bathroom has been evaluated and is suitable for the recommended equipment.

We have looked at and considered other bath transfer system options, however, the Ultima Bath Transfer System provided JT with the most support and growth adjustability. The other options did not provide enough trunk support to make JT feel safe when using the system. The Ultima Bath Transfer System was also the least costly alternative that could perform all of the functions required for JT

It is the goal of JT and his primary caregivers for him to be safe during bathing and hygiene activities. For all of the above reasons, it is recommended that JT be provided an Ultima Bath Transfer System.

Mr. or Mrs. Physical Therapist

Date

Dr. Doctor

Date