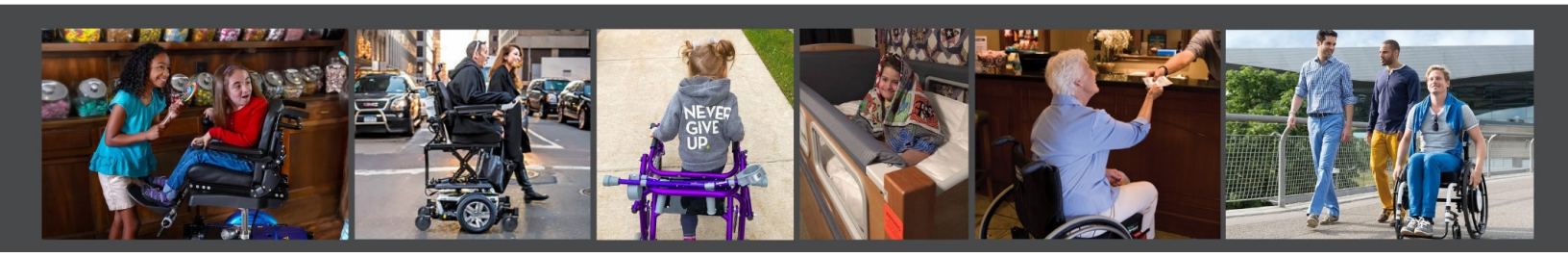
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Today the DME MACs released the future PMD and Wheelchair Options & Accessories LCDs and Policy Articles, which become effective **December 20, 2026.**

Future LCD - Power Mobility Devices (L33789) states:

A non-complex Group 2 seat elevator PWC (K0830, K0831) is covered if all the following criteria (A-G) are met:
All of the coverage criteria (a)-(e) for a PWC are met; and
The wheelchair is appropriate for the beneficiary's weight; and
The beneficiary relies on a PWC as the primary means of mobility within the home; and
Criterion 1 or 2 is met:
The beneficiary relies upon their upper extremities to perform transfers; or
The beneficiary performs reaching from the power wheelchair to perform one or more MRADLs such as toileting, feeding, dressing, grooming, and bathing in customary locations within the home; and
The beneficiary needs substantial mobility assistance (at least 50% of the effort required), as determined by a standardized rating scale, to accomplish transfers or to perform one or more MRADLs (refer to the POLICY SPECIFIC DOCUMENTATION section in the LCD-related Policy Article); and
The beneficiary has had a specialty evaluation that was performed by a licensed/certified medical professional (LCMP), such as a physical therapist (PT) or occupational therapist (OT), or practitioner who has specific training and experience in rehabilitation wheelchair evaluations and that documents the medical necessity for the wheelchair and its special features including seat elevation (refer to the documentation requirements section). The PT, OT, or practitioner may have no financial relationship with the supplier; and
The wheelchair is provided by a supplier that employs a Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America (RESNA)-certified Assistive Technology Professional (ATP) who specializes in wheelchairs and who has direct, in-person involvement in the wheelchair selection for the beneficiary.

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If a non-complex Group 2 seat elevator PWC is provided and if criteria II(A) – II(G) are not met, it will be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

Future LCD - Wheelchair Options/Accessories (L33792) states:

A power seat elevation system (K0108) is covered if a beneficiary meets the coverage criteria for a non-complex Group 2 no power option, Group 5 single power option, or Group 5 multiple power option power-driven wheelchair (K0820, K0821, K0822, K0823, K0824, K0825, K0826, K0827, K0828, K0829, K0890, K0891), as described in the Power Mobility Devices LCD, and the following criteria (A-D) are met:

The beneficiary relies on a PWC as the primary means of mobility within the home; and
Criterion 1 or 2 is met:
The beneficiary relies upon their upper extremities to perform transfers; or
The beneficiary performs reaching from the power wheelchair to perform one or more mobility-related activities of daily living (MRADLs) such as toileting, feeding, dressing, grooming, and bathing in customary locations within the home; and
The beneficiary needs substantial mobility assistance (at least 50% of the effort required), as determined by a standardized rating scale, to accomplish transfers or to perform one or more MRADLs (refer to the POLICY SPECIFIC DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS section in the LCD-related Policy Article); and
The beneficiary has had a specialty evaluation that was performed by an LCMP, such as a PT or OT, or practitioner who has specific training and experience in rehabilitation wheelchair evaluations and that documents the medical necessity for the seat elevation system (refer to the documentation requirements section). The PT, OT, or practitioner may have no financial relationship with the supplier.
If all of the above criteria are not met, the power seat elevation system (K0108) will be denied as not reasonable and necessary.