

Policy References: [Local Coverage Determination Pressure Reducing Support Surfaces - Group I \(L33830\)](#) and [Policy Article \(A52489\)](#)

Documentation References: [Standard Documentation Requirements Policy Article \(PA\)](#)

A55426 The treating clinician must complete the following items:

[Standard Written Order \(SWO\)](#)

Medical record documentation requirements (see below)

Medical Documentation

A beneficiary needing a Pressure Reducing Support Surface (PRSS) should have a wound care plan which has been established by the beneficiary's clinician or home care nurse, is documented in the beneficiary's medical records.

The medical record must support at least one of the three basic coverage criteria detailed below are met:

- Patient is completely immobile
- Patient has limited mobility and cannot independently make changes in body position significantly enough to alleviate pressure, and has at least one or more of the following conditions, whose severity is clearly documented:
 - Impaired nutritional status
 - Fecal or urinary incontinence
 - Altered sensory perception
 - Compromised circulatory status
- Patient has a pressure ulcer on the trunk or pelvis, and at least one or more of the following conditions, whose severity is clearly documented:
 - Impaired nutritional status
 - Fecal or urinary incontinence
 - Altered sensory perception
 - Compromised circulatory status

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