Policy References: Local Coverage Determination Lower Limb Prostheses (L33787) and Policy Article (A52496)

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

Replacement of a prosthesis or major component is covered if the treating physician orders a replacement device or part because of any of the following:

☐ A change in the physiological condition of the patient resulting in the need for a replacement; or
☐ An irreparable change in the condition of the prosthesis, or in a part of the prosthesis resulting in the need for a replacement; or
☐ The condition of the prosthesis, or the part of the prosthesis, requires repairs and the cost of such repairs would be more than 60 percent of the cost of a replacement device, or of the part being replaced.

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