

**NARRATIVE MEDICAL JUSTIFICATION FOR  
STATIONARY TUB AND COMMODE CHAIR**

**PATIENT NAME:**

**ADDRESS:**

**PHONE:**

**INSURANCE NAME:**

**ID NUMBER**

**DIAGNOSIS:**

**DATE:**

**DATE OF BIRTH:**

**Base Unit: (E-1399) 277, 310**

Proper hygiene is important for good health as well as (patient's name) social acceptability. However, because of (patient's name) (disability i.e., spinal cord, ALS, MS, etc.) (he/she) is unable to access the bathtub without risking the possibility of a fall and over a period of time exacerbate wear and tear on the shoulder and elbow joints. Therefore, a padded bath bench that allows for a lateral transfer from (his/her) wheelchair is essential. In addition, the padding will prevent possible skin breakdown (decubitus ulcer).

**JUSTIFICATION FOR STANDARD FEATURES (277)**

**Removable Armrests: (K0015)** The removable armrest provides (patient's name) with safety and stability while showering as well as the ability to do independent weight shifts. The removable armrest also allows for lateral transfers in and out of the shower commode chair.

**Adjustable Seat Height: (E-1399).** The adjustable seat height will provide (patient's name) the ability to adjust (his/her) bath bench to the height of (his/her) wheelchair for safe lateral transfers in and out of the bathtub.

**Removable Back: (E-1399).** The removable back will allow (patient's name) the ability to fold (his/her) bath bench compactly for storage purposes.

**JUSTIFICATION FOR STANDARD FEATURES (310)**

**Folds Compactly: (E-1399).** The folding ability of the bath bench will provide (patient's name) the ability to store it while not in use.

**Transfer Bench: (E-1399).** The transfer bench will provide (patient's name) maximum safety while transferring in and out the bathtub.

**Padded Seat and Back: (K0108).** The padded seat and back provides (patient's name) protection from possible skin breakdown (decubities ulcer) while performing (his/her) daily bowel/bladder and showering program. Typically the program can take up to an hour from start to completion.

**Adjustable Seat Height: (E-1399).** The adjustable seat height will provide (patient's name) the ability to adjust (his/her) bath bench to the height of (his/her) wheelchair for safe lateral transfers in and out of the bathtub.

#### JUSTIFICATION FOR OPTIONS (277)

**Padded Armrests: (K0019).** The padded armrests provide decreased pressure on (patient's name) elbows and arms thus preventing potential skin breakdown (decubitus ulcers).

**Transfer Bench Legs to Floor: (E-1399)** The transfer bench will provide (patient's name) maximum safety while transferring in and out the bathtub.

**Push Handle Back: (E-1399).** (Patient's name) requires push handles on (his/her) bath bench so (he/she) can hook (his/her) elbow around it for balance while leaning over to cleanse (his/her) perineal area.

**Solid Padded Seat: (K0108).** The solid padded seat will provide (patient's name) a solid base for good posture control as well as good pressure relief.

**Lap Belt: (K0031NU).** The lap belt provides (patient's name) anterior support while performing (his/her) bowel/bladder and showering program.

**Suction Cups: (E-1399).** The suction cups will provide (patient's name) additional security while transferring in and out of the shower bench by securing the feet firmly to tub floor.

**Carrying Case: (E-1399).** (Patient's name) requires a carrying case for (his/her) shower bench because of (his/her) frequent traveling.

**277 B E1399 Transfer Bench (E-1399).** The transfer bench will provide (patient's name) maximum safety while transferring in and out the bathtub.

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**1399 Side Open Frame.** The side opening of the commode frame will provide (patient's name) the ability to access (his/her) rectal spincter for digital stimulation and/or the insertion of a suppository for bowel evacuation. The side opening provides (him/her) the ability to perform this procedure in a normal upright position.

**JUSTIFICATION FOR OPTIONS (310)**

**Suction Cups: (E-1399).** The suction cups will provide (patient's name) additional security while transferring in and out of the shower bench by securing the feet firmly to tub floor.

**Carrying Case: (E-1399).** (Patient's name) requires a carrying case for (his/her) shower bench because of (his/her) frequent traveling.

**DURATION OF NEED:**

**PHYSICIAN:**

**ADDRESS:**

**PHONE:**

**UPIN:**

**SIGNATURE:**

**PHYSICIAN COMMENTS:** \_\_\_\_\_

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