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Activity/Positioning Chairs

Activity/Positioning Chairs are designed to provide stability and support, maintain body alignment, decrease likelihood of postural deformities, and enhance upper extremity function for an EPSDT recipient with physical disabilities.

Activity Chair

Activity Chairs and accessories are covered for an EPSDT recipient who has physical disabilities and requires positioning support to sit and perform activities.

An Activity Chair is considered medically necessary when a recipient meets any one of the following criteria:

- Cannot safely sit in a regular chair, commercially available highchair, or other conventional seating option;
- Needs additional support and stability for fine motor activities;
- Has decreased trunk strength and motor control;
- Must use arms to maintain sitting balance;
- Requires external support to maintain upright position and good body alignment;
- Has no functional protective or righting reaction; or
- Must be in an upright supported position for safe and effective feeding and without this chair would have to be held by the caregiver for feeding.

All accessories must be medically justified.

A tilt/recline option is covered when the recipient:

- Cannot maintain head control in the upright position
- Requires pressure relief
- Requires a tilted position to compensate for tonal changes, or
- Must be tilted for proper digestion and to avoid reflux.

A mobile base is covered when it is medically necessary to move the recipient to different parts of the environment with the rest of the family for safety or for medically necessary activities.

A Hi Lo feature is covered when height adjustments are needed for medically necessary activities or to allow the recipient to get into or out of the chair independently.

Hi Lo Positioning Activity Chair

Hi Lo Positioning Chairs and accessories are covered for a recipient who has more severe physical disabilities and needs optimum positioning support.

A Hi Lo Positioning Chair is considered medically necessary when a recipient meets any one of the following criteria:

