Continuous Passive Motion Devices

Continuous Passive Motion (CPM) Devices are utilized to keep a joint in motion without patient assistance. CPM devices are meant to be used as an adjunct to conventional physical or occupational therapy programs.

A CPM device is covered when all of the following criteria are met:

1. Coverage is limited to post total knee replacement (TKR) or arthroplasty.
2. The use of the device must commence within two days of the date of surgery.
3. The device must be prescribed by a physician and a treatment plan must be in place which includes active physical therapy.

Coverage and Payment Policy

This device requires prior authorization.

Requesting provider must submit the following information:

- Date of surgery and type of surgery performed.
- Date CPM therapy began.
- Date of discharge from the hospital.
- Coverage is limited to that part of a 21-day period, following surgery during which the device is used in the beneficiary’s home.
- Approval will be for a maximum of 21 days.

Approved by: ___________________________ Associate Medical Director

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Date: 10/1/14

Reviewed: ___________________________

Revised: ___________________________