

Body Part: Knee

Product Name: Knee Immobilizer

The patient must have had a recent injury or surgical procedure and one of the diagnoses listed for this product to be covered.



Documentation Needs:

- Left or Right
- Injury or surgery information
- Weight bearing status – **must be ambulatory in some capacity**
- What weakness does the patient have
- What deformity is present
- Is their instability or laxity
- Which product are they receiving
- How are they to use the product
 - Wear at all times
 - During ambulation
 - Only at night
 - Remove for hygiene only
- How are they going to benefit from using it
 - Stabilization
 - Improve function
 - Reduce pain
 - Facilitate healing

Diagnosis:

- Rheumatoid Arthritis
- Osteoarthritis Localized primary involving lower leg
- Osteoarthritis localized secondary involving lower leg
- Medial meniscal tear
- Chondromalacia of patella
- Old disruption of lateral collateral ligament
- Nontraumatic rupture of quadriceps tendon
- Nontraumatic rupture of patellar tendon
- Pathological fracture of lower part of femur
- Pathological fracture of tibia or fibula
- Aseptic necrosis of other bone sites
- Malunion of fracture
- Stress fracture of tibia or fibula
- Congenital deformity of knee joint
- Fracture of lower end of femur
- Closed fracture of patella
- Closed fracture of upper end of tibia
- Tear of medial cartilage or meniscus of knee
- Sprain/strain of knee ligaments
- Mechanical complications of internal orthopedic device
- Infection and inflammatory reaction due to internal joint prosthesis
- Knee joint replacement

You should not use pain as a diagnosis

Possible Diagnosis:

- ACL, PCL, MCL, LCL injuries, instabilities, repairs
- Tibial plateau fracture
- Meniscal injuries
- Patella tendon repairs
- Medial/Lateral instabilities
- Condylar fractures
- Acute sprains/strains