

3 EASY STEPS TO SUCCESSFULLY EVALUATE FOR ROWHEELS

1. Perform Face-to-Face Examination: Medicare, Medicaid, and most private insurers require that patients have a face-to-face mobility exam by a Physician, Nurse Practitioner, or Physician Assistant to determine if Rowheels is reasonable and necessary for MRADLs (Mobility Related Activities of Daily Living). i.e. Document the inability of the patient to ambulate with a cane, crutch or walker. The need for manual mobility for in home access.
2. Chart Notes: Document objective language in patient's Health Record regarding the necessity of a manual wheelchair for in home mobility for the patient. Rate (1-10) and Record any shoulder pain the patient is experiencing. i.e. 3/5 Strength Bilaterally on Upper Extremity with pain resulting after 15 feet of propulsion, rated at 7/10. Other important items to document. The patient has a mobility limitation that significantly impairs his/her ability to participate in one or more mobility- related activities of daily living (MRADLs) such as toileting, feeding, dressing, grooming, and bathing in customary locations in the home. A mobility limitation is one that:
 - Prevents the patient from accomplishing an MRADL entirely, or
 - Places the patient at reasonably determined heightened risk of morbidity or mortality secondary to the attempts to perform an MRADL; or
 - Prevents the patient from completing an MRADL within a reasonable time frame
3. Submit Documentation for Prior Approval: Chart notes and therapy assessment must be obtained and signed by all parties (Prescribing Clinician, Licensed PT/OT, Assistive Technology Practitioner {ATP}). Funding agencies require a Written Order from the Prescribing Clinician as well as a Detailed Product Description provided by the supplier. Once all of those items are gathered a Prior Approval can be submitted to the insurance carrier.

**It is not the intent of Rowheels to provide medical guidance. Simply a step by step guide for what a majority of funding sources require. Each submission is different and may require more or less documentation than what we have listed. There is no guarantee that the claim will be approved based upon the above recommendations.*