

# CTS Durable Medical Equipment and Home Modification Checklist

This tool is intended to be used by transition navigators as a guide to obtain durable medical equipment (DME) or securing approval for home modifications needed by individuals approved for CTS. Completing the Community Transition Assessment (CTA), specifically the ADL, Housing, and Health Care, DME and Assistive Technology sections, will help the transition navigator identify the participant's need for DME or a home modification.

## When the individual needs DME the transition navigator must:

- Check the MDHHS website to determine if the item is covered by Medicaid. ([Medical Suppliers / Orthotists / Prosthetists / DME Dealers \(michigan.gov\)](#))
- Coordinate with nursing facility staff about the individual's need for the item, obtain a prescription for it, and order the DME through a medical supplier.
- If Medicaid denies a covered item, CTS may cover it if a denial notice is included in PA, along with the following supporting documentation for medical necessity.
  - Request statement of need from nursing facility and/or the initial evaluation and last therapy notes from NF to see individual's progress.
  - Transition navigator will provide information within the case record and PA on how the item addresses a barrier to discharging from the NF
  - Obtain doctor's prescription for ordering DME.
- If the item is not on the list of Medicaid covered items or the item exceeds the fee screen, CTS may cover item if supporting documentation for medical necessity is submitted along with information on how it addresses a barrier to discharging from the NF.

## When the individual needs a home modification, the transition navigator must:

- Coordinate with the nursing facility to schedule or have the transition navigator conduct a Home Safety Evaluation. The results of the evaluation must be entered in the Compass record. Ramps will not require a home safety evaluation.
- Check local resources to determine if assistance for the home modification is available through those sources.
- Coordinate with a licensed contractor to discuss the needed modification and complete an itemized quote.
- When no other sources of funding are available, request a PA in CHAMPS that includes the rationale in the remarks field, along with itemized quote from licensed contractor and pictures upon request from MDHHS.

**If the individual is planning to enroll in MI Choice AND the home mod is not required for transition, then MI Choice should be the entity covering the home modification.**

**If a request for DME or a home modification is denied, the transition navigator must send the beneficiary an adequate action notice.**