

## DOCUMENTATION GUIDE

Asking yourself a few key questions can both reduce the burden of documentation and help obtain approval for orthotics and prosthetics for your patients as quickly as possible.

**We recommend you include the following information in your documentation notes:**



**What device(s) does the patient/child need?**

*Be specific if possible (AFOs, SMOs, BK prosthetic, TLSO etc.). Otherwise, orthotics/prosthetics is good.*



**Why does the patient/child need the device(s)?**

*What is the deficit/weakness/etc. that the orthotics/prosthetics are needed for? What is the patient's unmet need? What are their goals?*



**How will the device(s) help them?**

*What are your goals? What clinical outcomes are you wanting to accomplish?*



**What is the patient's diagnosis?**

*Please include global and specific diagnoses to patient's needs.*

*For notes to be considered medical necessity, they have to be in a face to face format. Most payors only recognize supporting notes within 6 months of the referral to Transcend.*