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PURPOSE:

To explain the procedure for the purchase of car seats, and to ensure the authorization of medically necessary and cost-effective purchases in a standard or expedited, and well-coordinated manner.

POLICY:

Car seats must be prescribed by the PCP (Primary Care Provider), therapist, or other provider upon referral by the PCP.

PROCEDURE:

Car Seat Purchase

- A. Requires documentation from the PCP or therapist establishing the need for the equipment, the risk to the member without the equipment, and include a comprehensive explanation of how the member will benefit from the equipment.
- B. Requires documentation from the PCP or therapist establishing the need for the equipment for transport due to the physical condition of the member which may include:
 - 1. Head and trunk control
 - 2. Airway obstruction potential
 - 3. Presence of potential for scoliosis, and/or
 - 4. Presence of seizure activity



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