

**Policy References:** [Local Coverage Determination Spinal Orthoses \(L33790\)](#) and [Policy Article \(A52500\)](#)

**Documentation References:** [Standard Documentation Requirements Policy Article \(PA\) A55426](#)

The treating clinician must complete the following items:

- [Standard Written Order \(SWO\)](#)
- Medical record documentation requirements (see below)

### **Medical Documentation**

A spinal orthosis is covered when it is ordered for one of the following indications:

- To reduce pain by restricting mobility of the trunk; **or**
- To facilitate healing following an injury to the spine or related soft tissues; **or**
- To facilitate healing following a surgical procedure on the spine or related soft tissue; **or**
- To support weak spinal muscles and/or a deformed spine

**Custom Fabricated Orthoses are covered if the basic coverage criteria for a spinal orthosis is met, and the following is also met:**

- Detailed documentation in the treating clinician's records to support the medical necessity of custom fabricated rather than a prefabricated orthosis. Please provide this documentation to the supplier/orthotist