

BEDS

Coverage is considered for a fixed-height hospital bed when at least one of the following are met:

- · Has a medical condition which requires positioning of the body in ways not feasible with an ordinary bed.
- · Patient requires positioning of the body in ways not feasible with an ordinary bed in order to alleviate pain.
- Requires the head of the bed to be elevated more than 30 degrees most of the time because of CHF, COPD or problems with aspiration.
- · Requires traction equipment that can only be attached to a hospital bed.

If heavy duty-type bed is medically necessary, the weight must be at least 350 pounds and must be documented. Medicare does not cover full electric beds.

Semi-electric beds are considered for coverage if one of the above criteria is met and:

• If the patient requires frequent changes in body position such as to alleviate pain, prevent aspiration or a respiratory issue.

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