Don't Let Wheelchair Repairs Break YOU Down

Length: 1 Hour

Description:

Your patient has the medically necessary wheelchair and now it is in need of repair. Will their insurance (Medicare) pay for the repair and if so what documentation is needed to ensure coverage. Some repairs are very expensive and if the insurance doesn't pay many will not be able to afford the repair. In order to proceed you must know if it is considered a repair or replacement as the rules are different for each. In this session attendees will learn when repairs / replacements are covered, required documentation for the most common situations (Medicare paid for original item, Medicare didn't pay for original item, etc.) and how to determine if they will be covered.

Objectives:

- 1. Identify when repairs are covered
- 2. Determine required documentation for insurance
- 3. Analyze the difference between and repair and replacement (including for cushions and backs)

Instructional Level: All Levels

Credits: 1.0 CCU / 0.1 CEU TPTA approval pending TOTA approval pending

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