

ITEM 6. MEDICAL CARE AND ANY OTHER TYPE OF REMEDIAL CARE
RECOGNIZED UNDER STATE LAW, FURNISHED BY LICENSED
PRACTITIONERS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THEIR PRACTICE AS
DEFINED BY STATE LAW

A. Podiatrist's' Services

Podiatrists' services ~~are limited to non-routine foot care~~ must be medically necessary. Medical necessity is determined by the Medicaid program.

~~The following are routine foot care services and are excluded, regardless of who performs them:~~

- ~~1. Treatment of flat foot conditions and supportive devices used in such treatment.~~
- ~~2. Treatment of subluxations of the foot (structural misalignments of the joints of the feet) not requiring surgical procedures (i.e., treatment by strapping, electrical therapy, manipulations: massage, etc.)~~
3. Routine foot care, including cCutting or removal of corns or calluses, trimming of nails and preventative or hygienic care of the feet, is not covered unless medically necessary for beneficiaries who have a medical condition, including diabetes or peripheral vascular disease, that affects the lower extremities.

~~The fact that an individual is unable, due to physical disability, to perform routine foot-care services for himself does not change the character of the services and make them "non-routine".~~

Services performed in the absence of a medical condition or injury involving the foot, ankle, or lower extremity are not covered.

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