

## **MEDICARE COVERAGE GUIDELINES** LIFT CHAIRS

The **lift mechanism** is the only part of the lift chair that is available for coverage.

The patient will be responsible for the remaining cost of the lift chair.

Face to face within 6 months addressing:

- Patient has ONE of the following documented conditions:
  - Patient has severe arthritis of hip or knee OR
  - The patient has a **severe neuromuscular disease**
- Patient is **completely incapable** of standing up from a regular armchair or any chair in his/her home.
- Once standing, does the patient have the **ability to ambulate**?
- Have all appropriate modalities to enable the patient to transfer from chair to a standing position (e.g. medication, physical therapy) been tried and failed? Need a copy of records demonstrating this.

