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Ambulatory Aids Patient/Caregiver Education Sheet Walkers (2 and 4 wheeled)

Thank you for choosing Valley Mission Homecare Pharmacy to provide you with durable medical equipment! Should you have any questions or concerns about this equipment, please contact us at (509) 928-6400 Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM. If you are experiencing a life-threatening emergency, call 911. Please take a moment to periodically review the following regarding the use of this equipment. This information is intended to supplement the information and instructions provided by the manufacturer in the owner's manual.

- This equipment is intended to be used only by a single individual.
- This equipment may contain moving parts! Take care to ensure that items such as electrical cords, oxygen tubing etc. cannot become entangled in the movement mechanisms or pinched between moving parts, or caught on wheel mechanisms.
- Keep people and animals away from equipment when in use.
- Listen to and observe the equipment when in use or transport. Moving parts should move freely and smoothly. If you observe something that doesn't sound, feel or look correct, please contact us promptly.
- Please review where the owner's manual is located and refer to it when needed.
- Do not attempt to operate the walker while holding any objects in your hands. Keep focused on walking and avoid becoming distracted.
- If your walker has wheels, be aware of the potential for its movement when you begin to use it. 4-wheeled walkers must always have functioning wheel locks for safety and they must be fully engaged in the locked position when sitting down or standing up from walker seat.
- Use care when folding walker to prevent pinching.
- When unfolding the walker, always ensure that the equipment fully locks in the open position before using.
- Use care when loading the walker into a vehicle, use proper lifting techniques and grasp walker in such a manner as to prevent inadvertent unfolding.
- Walkers should only be used on level ground, free of clutter and obstacles.
- Walkers should not be used on stairways or escalators unless you have been specifically trained to do so by a medical professional.
- Use only approved devices on walker feet and be aware that the stability characteristics of the walker could be affected by these devices (e.g., end-caps, skis, etc.)
- To minimize risk of skin breakdown, frequently check skin integrity for discoloration, redness, irritation, pain, swelling or edema.

Again, thank you for using Valley Mission Homecare Pharmacy for your medical equipment needs. Your signature below acknowledges that you have received this equipment and have been provided education on the use, care and maintenance, as well as full documentation for this equipment.

Signed _____ Date _____