


Arizona AFO (Unloader)

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Name: _____ DOB: _____
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**SAMPLE
Rx**

**UNLOADING
LEFT/RIGHT
ARIZONA AFO**

ICD-10 Dx: _____

Signature: _____
Date: _____ NPI: _____

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At a minimum, the following needs to be in **Doctor's Progress Note** to ***establish medical necessity*** in order for a patient's health insurance to cover the cost of a custom molded unloading Arizona AFO:

1. Patient is ambulatory
2. Patient exhibits weakness or deformity of the foot, ankle or knee. Patient has the potential for functional benefit with orthotic treatment.
3. At least **one** of the following criteria must be met for coverage purposes:
 - A prefabricated AFO was fit to the patient and deemed inappropriate.
 - The condition necessitating the need for the orthosis is expected to exist for more than 6 months.
 - The ankle, foot, and/or knee require(s) control in more than one plane.