

Providers of Pedorthic services should provide patients with the following information for insurance claims.

- A prescription from a recognized prescriber (ie. Medical Doctor, Podiatrist, Chiropractist, Orthopedic Surgeon)
- A biomechanical gait analysis.
- Itemized receipt for orthotics and orthopedic footwear including brand, style and modification (if required)
- Type of 3 dimensional casting method used
- Materials used in fabrication
- Provider credentials
- The assessment date, pick-up date and date paid in full.



Benefits of Membership:

- Current Pedorthics Magazine
- Annual Symposium & Exhibition
- Continuing education opportunities
- Member advocacy
- Discount on text books
- Online resources
- Searchable database of Certified Pedorthists
- Access to a network of Pedorthists



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NOTE: PFA Footcare Association (Canada Chapter) is in compliance with the guidelines set out by the Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association, Canadian Health Care Anti-fraud Association and the Competition Bureau of Canada.



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PFA - Serving the Pedorthic Industry since 1958.

PFA Footcare Association (Canadian Chapter) is a self-regulatory body which verifies, upholds, monitors and supports the competent and ethical practice of its Certified Pedorthist members.

What is a Certified Pedorthist?

A Certified Pedorthist (C.Ped, BOCPD, C.Ped (C) or C.Ped (MC)) is a healthcare professional trained to assess and treat individuals with conditions related to the foot and lower limb. Pedorthists can help treat these problems conservatively (non-surgically) by providing orthotics and/or orthopedic footwear and footwear modifications as part of an overall treatment regime prescribed by a physician, chiroprapist or podiatrist.



Quality Care

Certified pedorthists assess individual's needs, dispense appropriate pedorthic devices and educate patients as part of a team approach to foot health. Pedorthists can make a profound difference in the quality of an individual's daily life. When you give a prescription to a certified pedorthist, you can rest assured that you are working with a qualified professional.



What qualifies someone to be a Certified Pedorthist?

Through a recognized credentialing body pedorthists receive training in the follow fields:

- Human Anatomy and Physiology
- Foot and lower limb anatomy & pathologies
- Gait analysis/biomechanics
- Assessment, formulation, implementation & follow-up of a treatment plan
- Orthotic design/materials/fabrication
- Footwear theory, design, construction and modification
- Patient/practice management
- Pedorthic Professional Issues & Ethics
- In addition to this study and lab training, pedorthists are required to complete a clinical internship.



The pedorthic profession exists for the primary purpose of assisting patients maintain functional lives.

PFA Members

Certified Pedorthist members are professionals who:

- Are held accountable to a code of ethics
- Operate within the standards of practice
- Require continued educational training
- Carry a minimum \$1,000,000 of professional liability insurance coverage

Certified Pedorthists assume specific responsibilities to: physicians, other appropriately licensed healthcare prescribers, patients, the public, colleagues as well as to the profession itself. Members of the profession are responsible for maintaining and promoting ethical practice including, without limitation, reporting unethical practices.

Patients and insurance providers want to ensure care is provided by qualified professionals who follow established industry standards. Certified Pedorthists, belonging to this association are regulated by both this association and their credentialing body. Focusing on patient care while assisting with the reduction of fraudulent claims will help ensure a system that is beneficial for patients, and organizations covering the costs of these services.

