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As a physical therapist, we are thoroughly educated on prescription and instruction in use of DME. I receive constant referrals from PCPs to for fall risk patients to determine he best DME for patients as well as to teach them how to use it. However, instead of assessing and using this information to get the patient the appropriate resources, we then have to send a note back to the PCP who has to complete the order. This is a waste of time and resources and ultimately hurts both the patient and provider. PTs are the go- to providers for mobility and fall prevention, and providing and prescribing DME is a huge part of that.