



**Minor Environmental Modifications
Policy 0399.15.03**

Minor Environmental modifications may include grab bars, versa frame (toilet safety frame), handheld shower and/or diverter valve, raised toilet seats, and other simple devices or appliances such as eating utensils, transfer bath bench, shower chair, aids for personal care (e.g. reachers) and standing poles to improve home accessibility adaptation, health or safety.

A. Limitations:

- * All items require Prior Authorization by EOHHS, Office of Long Term Services and Supports; however items on the EOHHS Approved List do not require a physician's order.
- * All items must be recommended by an appropriately trained and certified health care professional or DHS social worker.
- * Items must be necessary to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the individual, or must enable the individual to attain or retain capability for independence or self care in the home, and to avoid institutionalization.
- * Items for diversional or entertainment purposes are not covered.
- * Items should be of a nature that they are readily transferable if a recipient moves from his/her place of residence.
- * Items cannot duplicate equipment provided under the Medicaid-funded primary and acute care system or through other sources of funding (i.e. Medicare, private insurance).
- * Items not included on the EOHHS Approved List and priced greater than \$500.00 shall be considered Special Medical Equipment and will be subject to the policies and procedures for that service as described in the Core Services section of the Rhode Island 1115 Waiver.
- * This service is billable under HCPCS Code T2028, for Core HCBS and/or preventive services.