PreStride™ demonstrates stance control’s capability and FullStride™ delivers it to the patient

The formula for success in the application of a Stance Control Orthosis (SCO) is tied to a thorough assessment of the patient. The PreStride™ stance control assessment orthosis allows the orthotist to evaluate their patients in various component configurations to determine the optimal setup before fabricating the definitive FullStride™ SCO.

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You really have to make a commitment to provide a stance control KAFO on a pure dollars and cents basis; it probably doesn’t make a lot of sense to do that. You have to be really committed to the patient and the process—and you have to do it despite the barriers.”

Notwithstanding the historic collaboration of major manufacturers during efforts to achieve a reasonable code and reimbursement that would make SCO technology available and affordable to patients—as recalled by Clark and Horton—reimbursement levels remain uninspiring.

“My hope has always been that stance control technology would improve—and it has improved some.

But not at the pace I envisioned ten to 11 years ago,” reflects Horton. “Unfortunately, everything is reimbursement driven. The C-Brace is an excellent device—but I’m afraid they’re going to run into the same problems. Who’s going to pay for it?”

Weber notes that under the descriptor of code L-2005, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reimburses at the same amount for an electronic hip- or weight-activated system as for a mechanical SCO, despite the cost difference: “So unfortunately you end up with…a choice between a $7,000-10,000 electronic version and a $3,000-4,000 mechanical version, both reimbursed at the same amount.”