Options for foot orthotics

Your doctor has decided that orthotic arch support would be helpful for your foot condition. There are several types of orthotics and ways to obtain them. Orthotics can be helpful for many foot conditions as a **support** the foot structurally and **cushion** the foot from external forces.

Off-the-shelf devices. Many times, an off-the-shelf orthotic will help your foot problem. Usually, you will need to bring this back to us so that we can modify it and **customize** it to your specific foot condition. This will require an office visit after you purchase them. When you come in with the orthotics for modification, we want her to bring in a few different types of shoes.

Our favorite all around off-the-shelf device is called a **Cadence EX**. This can be purchased in our clinic, from Amazon, as well as from Sole Perfection shoe stores. It has the best combination of arch support and cushion.

Superfeet orthotics are much more readily available and do offer good arch support. Our favorite color of orthotic is a **Berry** colored one for females and an **orange** colored one for males. This is because they have good cushion. These can be purchased at many shoe stores including REI.

Orthotics for Dress shoes are less effective, but can still help. We recommend the Prolab Prefab orthotic from or the PCS sole from Amazon

Custom foot orthoses:

Our clinic digitally scanned for three-dimensional shape of your foot and a personal prescription is given to Pacific orthotic labs In Maltby, Washington. They will digitally manufacture a custom orthotic with the prescriptive additions and modifications necessary to control your symptoms. A separate appointment will be needed for the orthotic scanning and your devices will come two weeks later after a call from our medical assistant. Most of the time, we want to physically see you and your shoes at the time of orthotic pickup. There will be up to one month of orthotic break-in where it will take time to get used to the devices. There are occasions when several modifications will be necessary after the orthotic dispensing.

Orthotic costs:

The cost to insurance for custom molded foot orthotics is \$700

The cost to insurance for a second pair of orthotics is \$490

The code for custom molded foot orthotics is L3000 times two (a left and a right)

There is a 30% discount for self-payment of the orthotics on the day you pick them up

making the self-pay price \$490 for the 1st pair and \$343 for each extra pair

You might want to call your insurance carrier to see if orthotics (L3000 times 2) is a covered benefit.

You can tell them the diagnosis codes you have: (see separate sheet)

Diagnostic Codes:

| Abnormal Gait R26.9 | Equinus, Congenital Q66.9 | Pain M79.609 |
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| Access, Ossicle, Painful Q66.89 | Equinus, Acquired M67.00 | Periostitis M86.179 |
| Achilles Tendonitis M76.60 | Exostosis M25.70 | Periph Neurop G60.8 |
| Apophysitis, Calc M92.70 | Hallux Limitus/Rigidus M20.20 | Pes Planus, Acquired |
| Arthralgia M25.579 | Hallux Valgus M20.10 | M21.41, M21.42 |
| Arthritis, Degenerative M19.9 | Hammertoe M20.40 | Pes Planus, Congenital Q66.50 |
| Arthritis, Rheum. M06.9 | Heel Spur M77.30 | Plantar Fasc M72.2 |
| Arthritis, Traumatic M12.50 | Hypermobile Jts. M35.7 | Pronation M21.6X9 |
| Bunion/Bunionette M20.10 , M21.6x | Instability of Foot/Ankle M24.876 | Sesamoiditis M86.8X9 |
| | | Shin Splints M89.8X6 |
| Calcaneal Valgus Q66.1 | Intoe Gait M21.8 | Stress Fracture M84.3725 |
| Cavus Foot, Painful M21.6X9 | Limb Length Discrepancy | |
| Charcot Jt., Diabetes A52.11 | Acquired M21.70 Congenital Q72.899 | Tarsal Coalition |
| Deformity, Ft, Ankle M21.969 | Metatarsalgia M77.40 | Q66.89 |
| | | Tarsal Tunnel G57.50 |
| Diabetes w/Neuro E11.40 | Metatarsus Primus Met Adductus Q66.2 | |
| Tendinitis M76.829 | | |
| Equinovarus M21.549 | Neuroma G57.60 | Ulcer, Foot/Toes L97.909 |