

## Gammie HomeCare

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## Suction Unit (Oral) Insurance Coverage Criteria

Prescription of Ordered Item - Suction Unit

1. Please specify: Yankauer or Catheter (size of catheter i.e. 14FR)



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Medical Record Documenting:

- 1. Difficulty raising and clearing secretions due to:
  - i. Cancer / Surgery of throat / mouth
  - ii. Dysfunction of the swallowing muscles
  - iii. Unconsciousness or obtunded state
  - iv. Tracheostomy
- 2. Swallowing tests are a good source of documentation, if available

Coverage criteria is taken from the CMS Medicare Local Coverage Determination policies. These guidelines are subject to change without notice. Last Updated 8.16.19.