

## GG0130G. Lower Body Dressing

**G. Lower body dressing:** The ability to dress and undress below the waist, including fasteners; does not include footwear.

### Assessment Timepoints

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**Admission:**

- Admission performance.
- Discharge goal.

**Discharge:**

- Discharge performance.

### Lower Body Dressing Inclusions and Exclusions for Coding

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**Included:**

- Underwear, incontinence briefs, slacks, shorts, capri pants, pajama bottoms, and skirts.
- Knee brace, elastic bandage, stump sock/shrinker, lower-limb prosthesis.
- Management of buttons and/or fasteners.

**Excluded:**

- Any clothing or device that covers the foot and is considered footwear.

### Coding Tips

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Lower body dressing identifies the patient's need for assistance to dress and undress below the waist, including any assistance needed to manage buttons and/or fasteners. It does not include footwear.

## Activity Performance Codes

- 06 – Independent.
- 05 – Setup or clean-up assistance.
- 04 – Supervision or touching assistance.
- 03 – Partial/moderate assistance.
- 02 – Substantial/maximal assistance.
- 01 – Dependent.

## Coding Scenarios

Each row in the table below describes a lower body dressing scenario. In each scenario, statements 2 and 4 identify key elements that inform the coding of **GG0130G. Lower body dressing**. The correct code is provided at the end of each scenario.

### Coding Scenarios for GG0130G. Lower Body Dressing

	Statement 1	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Code
Scenario 1	Patient G. is required to follow hip precautions due to recent hip surgery and uses adaptive equipment to dress and undress.	After the OT retrieves the patient's clothing, Patient G. threads their legs into their briefs and pants. When standing, Patient G. requires the OT to steady them so they can pull up the briefs and pants.	The OT assists Patient G. to put on their socks and shoes.	When undressing, Patient G. can manage removing their lower body clothing but requires the OT to steady them when they take off their pants.	Code 04
Scenario 2	Patient K. has a right below-knee amputation and upper/lower extremity peripheral neuropathy.	Patient K. requires the assistance of a CNA to place their right lower limb into a prosthesis. They are otherwise able to dress their lower body independently.	Once dressed, the CNA accompanies Patient K. as they walk to the therapy room.	Patient K. needs CNA assistance to remove their lower limb from the prosthesis, and then they are able to undress themselves without help.	Code 03
Scenario 3	Patient P. is recovering from bilateral lower leg fractures due to a motor vehicle accident.	Patient P. is non-weight-bearing and has limited mobility. They require the CNA to turn them and lift their legs while Patient P. pulls up their underpants and slacks.	After dressing, the CNA uses a mechanical lift to place Patient P. into the bedside chair for breakfast.	When undressing, Patient P. requires the CNA to remove their slacks.	Code 02

## Additional Clinical Considerations

- Pajama bottoms or paper/fabric scrubs may be used to assess the activities of lower body dressing if no other clothing is available.
- The activity may be completed with or without the use of assistive device(s).

- If a patient requires assistance with dressing, including assistance with any type of fasteners, code based on the type and amount of assistance required to complete the ENTIRE lower body dressing activity.
- A stump sock/shrinker and lower-limb prosthesis are considered clothing when coding lower body dressing. Code lower body dressing based on the type and amount of assistance needed with clothing, including the stump sock/shrinker and lower limb prosthesis.