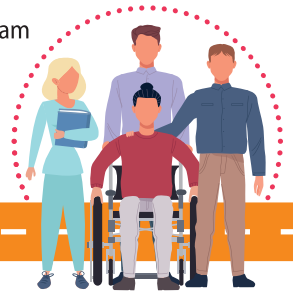


# THE SEATING & MOBILITY PROVISION PROCESS

The Road to a Successful Outcome  
CONSUMER VERSION

## SELECT THE TEAM .....

- You, your caregivers, friends, and/or family members are a part of the team
- You have choice of therapist and vendor representative



## ASSESSMENT

- Your therapist will complete an assessment of your seating and mobility needs
- This includes your medical history, assessment of your posture and range of motion and measurements of you in and out of the wheelchair

- Equipment selection will be based on the assessment findings and your input
- If appropriate, you may have the opportunity to trial equipment

## EQUIPMENT selection / prescription



### WHAT TO EXPECT AT YOUR ASSESSMENT:

- Expect to get out of your wheelchair
- Expect a 'hands-on' physical assessment
- Expect to share information about your health and daily activities performed from your wheelchair

### HOW TO PREPARE FOR YOUR ASSESSMENT:

- Wear comfortable clothing
- Share information about the pros and cons of your current system (*if you have one*)
- Bring someone you trust and who can help you if needed
- Bring what you need for transfers to and from your wheelchair (*sling, board*)

## FUNDING application/ approval

- Application(s) for funding will be reviewed and completed as appropriate
- Discuss time lines for funding approval
- Some funding agencies do not allow for equipment to be ordered prior to funding approval



## EQUIPMENT ordering

- Your vendor representative will complete the order forms and manage all financial matters
- Discuss expected timelines once equipment is ordered
- If something changes with you and/or your needs, tell your team BEFORE the equipment is ordered



## DELIVERY & FITTING

Set up of your wheelchair for safe seating and mobility might include;

- Power wheelchair programming
- Seating component adjustment
- Manual wheelchair setup and adjustment
- You and your caregivers/family will be provided with training about how to use and take care of your equipment
- More than one session might be needed



## LIFE WITH THE NEW SEATING & MOBILITY SYSTEM .....

- Monitor how your new mobility system is working for you
- Contact your vendor's service department for maintenance/repair needs, keep all your manuals and records regarding purchase and repairs for future reference
- Contact your OT with any significant functional, physical and/or weight changes, and with any skin or safety issues affecting your seating or mobility



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**Select the Team** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Assessment** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Equipment Selection/Prescription** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Funding Application/Approval** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Equipment Ordering** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Delivery & Fitting** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Life With The New Seating & Mobility System** \_\_\_\_\_

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Vendor name/contact \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Assessment \_\_\_\_\_