

Disability Support Services

Equipment and Modifications

Indicators for Wheeled Mobility & Postural Management Level 2 Credential

Therapists assessing at this level may assess people who:

- Cannot self-propel, or use their foot to push (punt), a standard manual wheelchair¹ due to weakness, pain, fatigue or abnormal movement patterns and could be safe and able to do essential daily tasks with an ultra lightweight manual wheelchair.
- 2. Have unusual physical dimensions which cannot be accommodated in a standard manual or powered wheelchair.
- 3. Cannot safely undertake essential daily tasks, or be cared for safely in their home, without additional seating functions such as seat elevation, tilt-in-space, recline and powered elevating leg rests. Young children and infants under 2 years of age who require a buggy with tilt-in-space and/or recline due to their age and physical maturation, and don't have seating needs as described in 5 & 6, may be assessed by a Wheeled Mobility & Postural Management Level 1 Credentialled Assessor.
- 4. Have limited hand function or control of movement and cannot access powered mobility via a standard proportional joystick.
- Have fixed postural asymmetries and limitations in joint range which cannot be accommodated in readily available cushions or backrests with generalised lateral shaping
- Have poor sitting ability due to weakness or abnormal movement patterns/tone, and require specifically placed trunk and/or head supports for safety, or to maximise their functional body position for essential daily tasks, or to minimise deterioration of their posture.
- Have a rapidly deteriorating disability (significant functional loss expected within a period
 of 6 months) likely to require full trunk support, dynamic seating options e.g. tilt in space,
 and/or alternative control options for powered mobility
- 8. Are children who are independent and functional, active manual wheelchair users (or could be with appropriate equipment) indoors and in the community
- 9. Require custom fabricated solutions that will not be suitable for re-issue due to significant postural issues that cannot be accommodated in readily available backrests and/or cushions. NB: Assessor would need to have optional endorsement for Complex Custom Fabrication under Wheeled Mobility & Postural Management Complex credential for this level of assessment.

See also Indicators for Wheeled Mobility and Postural Management Assessments Level 1 Credential and the complete Wheeled Mobility and Postural Management Level 1 and Level 2 Credential Competencies.

¹ Standard manual wheelchair – refers to entry level Enable and Accessable Preferred Product / Standard list manual wheelchairs. Includes paediatric and bariatric manual wheelchairs with similar features to the entry level wheelchairs with the exception of weight limits.