

Things to Consider When Selecting a Power Mobility Device

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.4 CEU's (4 Hours)

Course Description:

Individuals with chronic medical conditions and long-term disabilities who have a permanent need for a wheelchair require a comprehensive, detailed evaluation of their physical, functional and environmental needs to allow clinicians and ATP suppliers to make appropriate Assistive Technology recommendations for a successful outcome.

This course will examine the questions outlined in the National Coverage Determination for Mobility Assistive Equipment; provide the clinician with practical tools to incorporate into the evaluation and recommendation process; and assist the supplier in reading and interpreting the information provided for the equipment that is recommended.

Course Learning Objectives:

At the conclusion of the course the participant will be able to:

- 1) Identify 3 reasons why a scooter (POV) could be ruled as an appropriate power mobility device for an end-user.
- 2) Name at least 2 differences in the performance characteristics of a PWC in the Gr. 2, Gr. 3 and Gr. 4 category.
- 3) List 2 pro's for each of the three PWC drive wheel configurations.
- 4) Select the most appropriate drive wheel configuration based on the shape of space encountered.
- 5) List 2 additional considerations when selecting a Gr. 3 PWC over a Gr. 2 base.

Course Content:

-Review of the Medicare National Coverage Determination for Mobility Assistive Equipment, Local Coverage Determination of Power Mobility Devices and Policy Article on required performance characteristics of PMDs.

-Literature review and research in support of the various PWC drive wheel configurations and performance characteristics and their application across environments of anticipated use.

- Hands on trial/simulation with power wheelchairs in real life applications.

-Case study application and recommendation of a power mobility device, with justification of what was selected and rational as to why other options were not recommended.

-Class requirements include Demonstrations in the Exhibit Hall. Documented participation at the Exhibitors' booths is a requirement to fulfill CEU class completion.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Licensed/Certified Medical Professional (i.e. PT, OT, Physician, Nurse, etc.)

Rehab Professional (i.e. ATP, CRTS, Seating specialist, etc.)

Reimbursement & Billing Specialists