

Power Mobility Device Assessment: Existing User

Important information and Timeframes

Please be advised that the following represents the average costs and time required to undertake a review assessment of an individual's suitability to use a powered mobility device (PMD) on an ongoing basis. For this assessment to occur it is expected that the individual has been using a PMD for longer than 3 months. This differs from an assessment to assess suitability where a device has not been previously used by the individual. For this purpose, please complete a **Powered Mobility Device Assessment: New User**

Should an occasion arise that deviates from the schedule below, the Occupational Therapist will liaise directly with the financier and identify reasons for deviations and associated costs.

1. Minimum Assessment to consider requirements of PMD Use and cognitive function (up to 2 hours):
 - Initial Assessment (use and needs, medical status, physical and visual function)
 - Cognitive Assessment.
 - Liaison with client/family/guardian re: outcome of the Initial and Cognitive Assessments.
 - Letter to GP advising of outcome of initial assessment and plan for formal Assessment.

2. Assessment of the PMD in the expected use environments (2 hours):
 - Assessment of PMD use in/around the client's home and in/around the client's community (if the intention is to use same beyond the immediate home environment).
 - Undertake formal Assessment using the "Powered Mobility Device Assessment Training Tool" (PoMoDATT).
 - Provision of training strategies and assessment of immediate learning potential IF issues observed.

3. Liaison and Reporting (up to 1.5 hours)
 - Final practical assessment (IF training needs were identified at time of Assessment).
 - Letter to GP and Residential facility (if applicable) advising of OT assessment and recommendations.

PLEASE NOTE: Elevate OT Services will endeavour to carefully consider all aspects of the person and their environment and will make a recommendation for/against the use of a PMD according to the client's demonstrated safety and competence against PoMoDATT assessment items and awareness for the safety of others within the assessed environment of use. Elevate OT Services will not take responsibility for: incidents or accidents resulting from non-adherence to recommendations, misuse of equipment, faulty equipment or performance failures of users as a result of illness and/or declining health. Reassessment against baseline can be undertaken should concern for safety or a change in use patterns indicate.

If the PMD is to be used in a residential facility, it is considered the residential facilities' right and obligation to decline the use of, or remove from use, a PMD that is a threat to the safety of the user or those in the immediate environment of the user. Elevate OT Services accepts no liability for these actions and/or their financial consequences.