



Equip'ing your EMS Equipment Advice

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Overview

- Introductions – your Webinar presenters:
 Katrina Gardiner and Amy Stonestreet –
 Professional Advisors and
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- EMS intent and resources
- Completing an EMS Equipment Advice
- Tips for the Service Request

EMS Intent and Resources

- Allocation of resources
- Value for money
- Equitable approach
- Long term perspective



Mandatory Advice in Relation to Guiding Principles



New Zealand Government

Consultation with an EMS Advisor



Guiding Principles

Fair allocation of resources is guided by

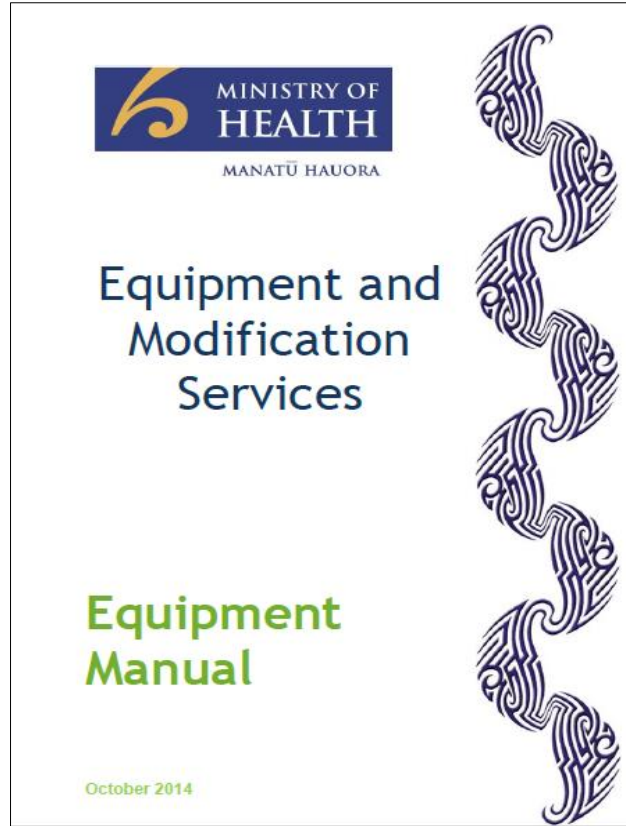
- an effective **contribution towards helping a person live as others do**
- value for money, now and in the future
- **consistent**, principled and **equitable approach** across a diverse range of people
- decisions which reflect a **long term perspective**, noting people grow, age, develop, change over time

The Ministry is not able to meet *all* the identified needs of disabled people



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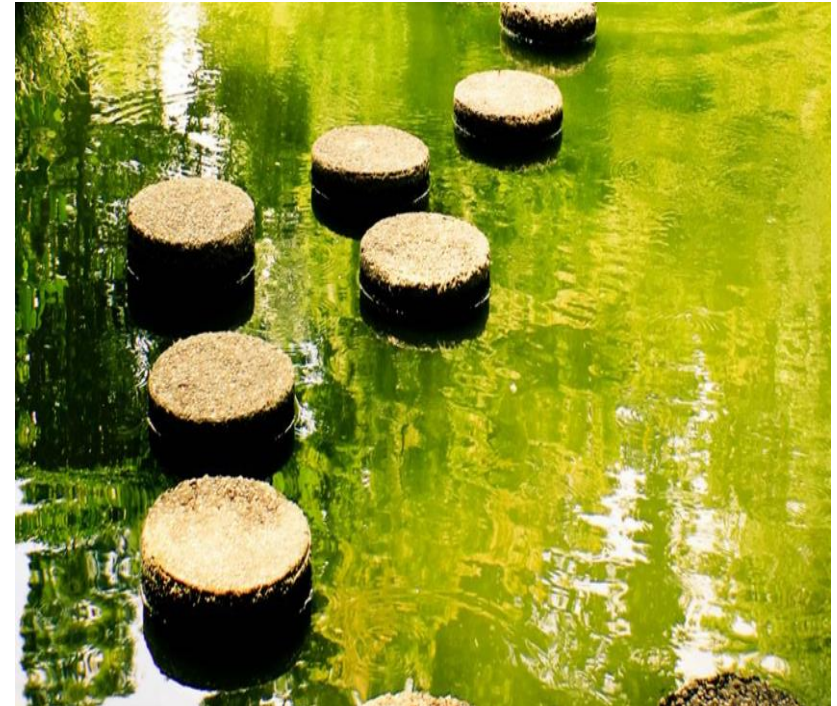
EMS Equipment Manual



Find Your Way Around Your Equipment Manual

Section 2 Eligibility and Access Criteria

- 1.2 guiding principles
- 2.1 defines '**essential**' and '**cost effective**'
- 2.2 determines whether or not the person can be **considered** for EMS funding
- 2.3 outlines the **six Access Criteria** for services for funded equipment
- 2.4 and 2.5 outline the consideration for funding for those individuals who live in **long term residential care**
- Sections 10 and 11 relate to **accreditations** and what is considered in this **accredited area** of equipment when we review the Advice



Advisory Role

Accessible administers the budget on behalf of the Ministry, and works with Assessors to establish:

- Eligibility:
 - a clear MOH **disability diagnosis**
 - an 'essential' need for at least 6 months, however, to make the proposed solution **cost effective**, as per 1.2 and 2.1, it is good to be able to consider the equipment in terms of long term benefit – at least 6 months but preferably 1-2 years +
- Access: Meets the Access Criteria
- Sustainable: Suggested equipment provision that will meet a **long term** essential disability related need (EDRN)
- Alternatives: There are no other viable **alternative** options



2.2
Eligibility

Client profile,
Prognosis,
Sustainability,
Previous equipment

2.3.1 Access
Criteria

EDRN (Essential
Disability
Related Need)

Assessor
Accreditation

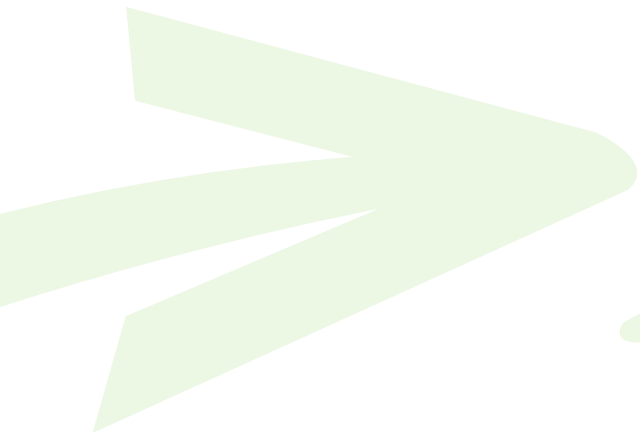
Category of
accreditation –
section 11

Alternative
options

Cost
effective

Complete
Advice
Outcome

Completing an EMS Equipment Advice Request



Assessment



Stepping Stones of the EMS Process



Key EMS Equipment Advice Fields

Functional Loss

What is the person's functional loss resulting in the need for equipment and/or modifications?

- Clinical Profile Information
 - Person focused information
 - Information documented in the Functional Loss field is specific to the person and their disability/disabilities
 - Information is visible to all therapists working with the person



Key EMS Equipment Advice Fields

Main Issues

Description of the person's main issues/functional loss related to this request

- Main Issues:
 - Information in the Main Issues section is specific to the solution/s being recommended



Key EMS Equipment Advice Fields

Solutions

Proposed Solution

Alternative Options Considered/Tried

- Solutions Section – Alternative Options Considered/Tried
 - brief summary of what you have considered/trialled and why is it not suitable
 - brief summary of any discussions with colleagues, suppliers

Key EMS Equipment Advice Fields

Additional Information

- Solutions Section – Sustainability
 - describe the length of time the equipment solution will meet the need for
 - confirming sustainability helps to establish cost effectiveness
 - timeframe of anywhere from 6 months, up to 1-2 years



Bringing the need into focus through the Advice Request



Other Information for a Well-rounded Advice Request

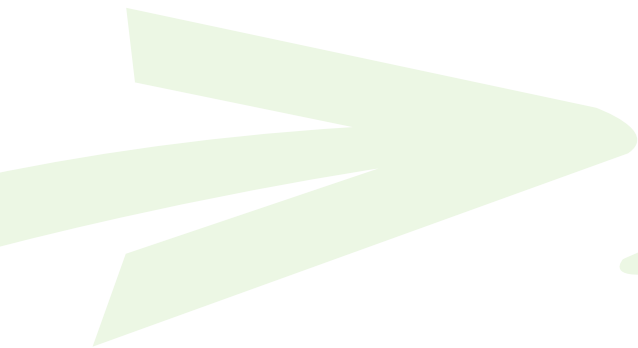


- Supporting documentation
- Cultural considerations
- Who has the need/issue being discussed with?

Assessor Checklist for Equipment Advice

- A clear disability diagnosis
- A clear long term and essential disability related need
- The Access Criteria the need/solution relates to
- Cost effectiveness considered
- Any other viable alternative options thoroughly explored
- A sustainable care/living situation
- A solution which is fairly typical, and if not, demonstrate your clinical reasoning
- A proposed solution that 1) reflects your clinical findings and, if needed, 2) outlines the client's preferences

Tips for Completing your Service Request



Tips for Completing your Service Request

- Standard MOH Criteria to establish EMS Eligibility
- Linking EMS Advice to a Service Request
- Delivery instructions/Collections upon delivery
- Supporting documents
- Referring Service Request to the Professional Advisory Team for review

Thank You!

