

Level 1 Non-Complex Wheeled Mobility & Seating

Two-day workshop as part of the Level 1 Wheeled Mobility & Postural Management credential requirements.

“Assessing the Functional and Postural Needs of Wheeled Mobility Users”

A workshop aimed at therapists assessing people with non-complex seating & wheeled mobility needs.

Objectives:

Therapists completing this workshop will demonstrate an ability to:

- Understand the biomechanics of seating with particular reference to pelvic stability and function
- Identify client’s wheelchair seating needs through clinical evaluation
- Understand and minimize factors that contribute to the development of pressure injuries
- Critically evaluate the clinical and functional applications of a range of wheelchair cushions and simple back supports
- Utilise adjustable features on standard manual wheelchairs to optimise positioning and mobility
- Identify indicators for power mobility and adjustable features on standard power wheelchairs (i.e. those with standard proportional joystick controls and one seating function)
- Identify indicators for referral to a specialised assessment service for people with complex (Level 2) needs

Programme:

- The biomechanics of seating
- Principles of seating for function and pressure management
- The effect of wheelchair configuration on pressure and positioning
- Functional considerations for different disability groups
- Clinical evaluation
- Cushion evaluation
- Configuring standard manual wheelchairs to meet client need – practical session with tools
- Wheelchair skills training
- Indicators for power mobility and understanding standard power wheelchair options

Please bring a rug or exercise mat for Day 1, and a tool box for Day 2.