COURSES AVAILABLE

Most courses are one days unless stated

Posture	Wheelchair seating	Manual wheelchairs	Powered wheelchairs	Other
management/seating				

Postural Management for adults and	Oxford Centre of Enablement	Therapists, RE's,	Aims of the course
adults and	Enablement		
		Clinical Scientists,	Using the assessment form, Management of Physical Disability 24-7 (MPD 24-7), to be able
children with	Contact for costs	therapy assistants,	to collect, analyse and present all necessary data from which to make recommendations for
children with		other's working in	equipment to facilitate lying, sitting and standing.
complex		posture and	Objectives of the course
disabilities (4		mobility industry	Related to those with complex disability, to develop awareness of and an understanding of:
days)			
			 the principles of biomechanics as applied to posture management;
			the meaning of posture;
			application;
			• the need to collect all of the data on the MPD 24-7, sequentially;
			• the chills needed to record on the MPD 24.7 notation of hedy configuration in
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			Sitting and lying and passive range of joint movement using the o-neutral method,
			the critical points and measures that must be considered to facilitate optimal
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Postural	Oxford Brookes University	Therapists, RE's.	
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Postural Management for adults and	Oxford Brookes University Contact for costs	Therapists, RE's, Clinical Scientists, therapy assistants,	 the principles of building a stable posture in sitting and lying and the practical application; the need to collect all of the data on the MPD 24-7, sequentially; the skills needed to record, on the MPD 24-7, notation of body configuration in sitting and lying and passive range of joint movement using the 0-neutral method the critical points and measures that must be considered, to facilitate optimal support and/or accommodation within equipment By the end of the course students will have had the opportunity to: update and expand their knowledge of biomechanics and the anatomy and physiology of the neuro-motor system;

children with complex disabilities (PG Cert – 1 yr course)		other's working in posture and mobility industry	 develop a deep understanding of what is meant by posture and the effect of impairment upon it. The implications for clinical rehabilitation in its widest sense are considered, for example the treatment costs of pressure sores; consider physical management in the context of evidence-based health care and develop the skills needed to evaluate the evidence practise and critically review the process and the outcomes of the assessment of the posture of people with complex disabilities; develop and expand a variety of approaches to the management of posture for people with severe disabilities critically analyse alternative courses of action and justify, in holistic terms, chosen interventions.
Postural Management and Special Seating – 2 days	www.activedesign.co.uk Contact for costs	Therapists, RE's, Clinical Scientists.	 This 2 day course is aimed at therapists and engineers who want to increase their understanding of postural management for young people with complex postural needs. It will focus specifically on the seating needs of young people with CP according to the ICF framework, using the GMFCS for children with CP to classify their level of function and need.
24 Hour Postural Management, Assessment and Levels of Ability – 2 days	www.activedesign.co.uk Contact for costs	Therapists, RE's, Clinical Scientists.	 Develop your knowledge of the Chailey Levels of Ability and Assessment Charts as a tool for assessing postural ability Introduction to the evidence base for postural management Increase your awareness of the design and use of postural management equipment
Variety of courses in postural care (measurement level 2 & 3, leadership)	www.posturalcareskills.com Costs vary	Therapists, RE's, Assistants, nurses, PA's, family, others.	 Measurement Course - measurement of Body Symmetry using the Goldsmith Indices allows both families and therapists to monitor the effectiveness of physical therapeutic intervention Leadership Course - Leadership in Postural Care, Postural Care in Sitting, Postural Care in Lying and Delivery of Postural Care Training.
Accredited Postural Care	www.symmetrikit.com	Two courses – one for therapists and	 Family and Carer Workshops - the basic principles of 24Hr Postural Care. Therapist/Professionals Training - Postural Management training courses designed

Training – number of days vary	FOC	other professionals and one for families and carers	specifically for those responsible for devising and delivering Postural Management programmes to clients with complex needs.
JCM Postural Management Workshop: Special Seating	www.jcmseating.co.uk FOC	Healthcare Professionals	 Enhance clinical reasoning skills in determining the optimal seating and positioning strategy. Apply evidence-based knowledge to seating and posture which underpins the research and development process
Invacare Community Seating Event - In partnership with Kirton	www.thinkclinicalseating.co. uk FOC	Healthcare Professionals	 To be able to identify normal posture patterns and postural abnormalities To increase knowledge of the causes of pressure damage and methods to assess risk To increase confidence in completing a seating assessment and implementing seat plans
Careflex	www.careflex.co.uk FOC	Healthcare Professionals	 Understand where seating fits into the 24 Posture Management Approach. Identify common problems related to sitting posture and understand how to address them. Understand the need for Postural Care and Pressure redistribution. Have a better appreciation of the impact of seating in terms of comfort, function and the long term value of correct seating. How to support your funding request for specialist seating with clear documentation.
Seating Matters	www.seatingmatters.com FOC	Healthcare Professionals	 Carry out educational workshops and lunch and learn one hour sessions. Details of learning objectives could not be obtained from the wbesite
Leckey – Seating Assessment and Prescription Workshops	www.leckey.com FOC	Healthcare Professionals	 To define the key "hands-on" assessment techniques and measurement Understand how various factors affect the prescription process and product characteristics To provide practical demonstration of assessment, prescription and product set-up
Jenx – one day product course	www.jenx.com FOC	OT's, Physio's, Students	The day concentrates on both child development and the need for promoting functional movement whilst exploring how Jenx's 24 hour positioning products help promote better posture and function throughout the day.

It enables therapists to learn more about our unique products in an interactive and hands-on environment.

Name	Provider	Audience	Course Objectives/content
Invacare –	www.invacare.co.uk	Occupational	Agenda
Pressure &		Therapists	Aetiology of pressure ulcers
Posture in		OT Assistants and	Evaluating pressure redistributing cushions
wheelchair		Occupational	Principles of good posture
seating		Therapy students	Management of common postural problems
		Rehab Engineers	Clinical application of cushions and back systems
		Invacare Dealers	
Invacare – All in	<u>www.invacare.co.uk</u>	Occupational	This one day interactive course helps to develop clinical reasoning and problem
One Solution		therapists,	solving skills in identifying and selecting the most appropriate back support and seat
Course	FOC	Physiotherapists,	cushion, including the use of belts and harnesses, to meet the postural, pressure
		OT Assistants, OT	and physiological needs of their clients.
		Students, Rehab	An understanding of the basic seating principles and intrinsic and extrinsic risk
		Engineers, Invacare	factors relating to pressure ulcer development is a prerequisite for the course.
		Dealers	
Invacare	www.invacare.co.uk	Band 4 & 5	Agenda
Impetus training		Therapists	Principles of posture and seating
– 2 days	£149	Those returning to	How to undertake an assessment
		practice	Wheelchair skills
		Therapists working	Environmental & Psycho-social considerations
		in social services or	Manual handling, safety and risk assessments
		non statutory	Pressure ulcer presentation
		services	Cushion workshop
STEPS – Mobility	www.sunrisemedical.coc.uk	Therapists,	Considerations for prescribing equipment
and seating		assistants, RE's	Paediatric evaluation
selection: a	FOC		Normal development
paediatric focus			Seating and mobility considerations and solutions
STEPS – Seating	www.sunrisemedical.co.uk	Therapists,	Core principles underlying seating and positioning

and positioning for function	FOC	assistants, RE's	 Postural assessment and translation of findings Matching level of technology with clinical and functional needs/preferences
			 Properties of different materials and how this relates to product selection and application Evidence based clinical best practice for the use of interface pressure mapping
STEPS – Jay Portfolio	www.sunrisemedical.co.uk FOC	Therapists, assistants, RE's	Explores the range of Jay products from a clinical perspective
Ottobock – Academy Mobility Solutions	www.ottobock.co.uk FOC	Therapists, assistants, RE's	 Considers equipment necessary dependent on condition Special seating Further details to be follow
Posture, seating and wheelchair skills course – run May 2014 – not sure if yearly event – 2 days	www.buckshealthcare.nhs.uk /NSIC call for costs	Therapists, assistants, RE's	 Familiarise the delegate with the principles of posture and 24-hr positioning Relate ergonomic features of a lightweight manual wheelchair to function, based on current evidence for most efficient wheelchair configuration and propulsion Provide a clear structure for the physical assessment of posture Guide the delegate to match assessment findings to seating solutions Provide the opportunity to learn and practice wheelchair skills, including getting a wheelchair in/out of the car.
Stuctured Training in the Management of Medical Devices – Posturally Supportive Equipment for Children	R82 UK Ltd. Contact Martyn Davis – mda@r82 – for full details	Anyone involved with the use, care and maintenance, adjustment and reissue of Medical Devices e.g. stores personnel, therapy assistants, technical instructors, therapists	The course is City & Guilds accredited as well as being endorsed by the College of Occupational Therapists. It comprises 3 stand-alone blocks each of which take 2 days to deliver. These blocks are titled; Mechanical, Technical, and Clinical. The aim of the programme is to demonstrate that by knowing who is responsible for what, by knowing where to look for information and advice, by knowing how to implement it, and by adopting the use of standardised processes and protocols, all equipment, regardless of source, can be more effectively and safely managed in line with the recommendations and guidelines of the MHRA with the aim that the equipment is better able to meet, for longer, therapy goals
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Invacare Manual	www.invacare.co.uk	Therapists, Assistants, RE's,	Agenda

Wheelchairs	FOC	Therapy students, dealers	 Overview of Invacare's manual wheelchairs Medium active Passive Product set-up and measurement tips Overview of the prescription form process How to order spare parts: E-spare-cat
Kuschall	www.invacare.co.uk FOC	Therapists, Assistants, RE's, Therapy students, dealers	Agenda Overview of the range K-Series Compact Ultra Light Champion Product set-up and measurement tips Overview of the prescription form process How to order spare parts: E-spare-cat
Servicing/mainte nance and adjustment on manual wheelchairs	www.invacare.co.uk FOC	Engineers, technicians, Invacare dealers	Agenda Identify key components of the Manual wheelchair range Workshop on how to remove and fit key components Learn how to make adjustments Key tools required for servicing and maintenance Detailed presentation and workshop on how to service and maintain a manual
STEPS - Manual Mobility Selection: Linking Assessment to Appropriate Prescription	www.sunrisemedical.co.uk FOC	Therapists, RE's, assistants and Sunrise dealers	 The clinical application of manual mobility, its goals, benefits and trade-offs Understanding the clinical relevance of wheelchair adjustments Translating postural findings into generic product parameters Critically matching level of technology with client clinical and functional needs and preferences Integrates evidence-based clinical best practise into wheelchair prescription and training

STEPS - Manual Wheelchair Assessment	www.sunrisemedical.co.uk FOC	Therapists, RE's, assistants and Sunrise dealers	 Appropriate manual wheelchair prescription i.e. matching equipment to the needs and desires of the client has a great impact on performance, safety and efficiency. Measurement of the client and how this is translated into actual manual wheelchair prescription, configuration and set-up for hand-over to the client.
STEPS - Manual Wheelchair Set- up and Configuration	www.sunrisemedical.co.uk FOC	Therapists, RE's, assistants and Sunrise dealers	 Overview of the adult and paediatric manual chair range Set-up and reconfiguring of manual chairs Understanding issues with new set-up - the 'must do' checks before hand-over Overview of the Sunscript website and order form review
Ottobock – Academy Mobility Solutions	www.ottobock.co.uk FOC	Therapists, assistants, RE's	 Considers equipment necessary dependent on condition How to assess for and prescribe a rigid wheelchair Rigid vs folding active wheelchairs Further details to be follow

Name	Provider	Audience	Course objectives
Invacare - Servicing/Mainte nance and Adjustments on Power Chairs	www.invacare.co.uk FOC	Technicians, Engineers, Invacare Dealers	Agenda Identify key components of the power chair range Workshop on how to remove and fit key components Learn how to make adjustments Key tools required for servicing and maintenance Detailed presentation and workshop on how to service and maintain a power wheelchair
Invacare - Power Chair Controls Set-up and Operation	www.invacare.co.uk FOC	Technicians, Engineers, Invacare Dealers	 Agenda Overview of the systems Understand the set-up and operation of Master & Secondary Remotes Learn how to set-up and operate the DX – Proximity Head Control

Invacare - Fault Finding on Power Chairs	www.invacare.co.uk FOC	Technicians, Engineers, Invacare Dealers	 Use environment controls via the ACS/DX system Hands-on workshop session Agenda Presentation on fault finding Demonstration on how to test: Motors Chargers Batteries Motor brakes PC Wizard demonstration Hands-on workshop session
STEPS - Powerchair Product Training	www.sunrisemedical.co.uk FOC	Therapists, Engineers, assistants, Sunrise Dealers	Agenda Range overview Full product presentations - including: Features, benefits and unique selling points Making adjustments Prescription forms and options available Control system overview
STEPS - Powerchair Service and Maintenance - Mechanics	www.sunrisemedical.co.uk FOC	Sunrise Dealers	Agenda Base configurations and adjustments Accessing and utilising technical manuals Seat configurations and adjustments Legrest configurations and adjustments Armrest configurations and adjustments Upgrades / adding features Effects of drive wheel positions Technical manuals and how to use them
STEPS -	www.sunrisemedical.co.uk	Sunrise Dealers	Agenda

Powerchair Service and Maintenance - Electronics & Diagnostics	FOC		 System overviews Product and components Diagnostics and fault finding On-board diagnostics Charging regime Web diagnostics Hand held programmer diagnostics PC diagnostics Introduction to programming tools and options Web IQ online Programme configuration
STEPS — Powerchair servicing for approved repairers	www.sunrisemedical.co.uk FOC	NHS employees and approved repairers	 Agenda Introduction to the Sunrise NHS powerchair product range Product configuration (FWD / MWD / RWD) Generic service information (battery care, motors etc.) Product specific information (hands-on with chairs, showing adjustability, unusual features etc.) Fault diagnosis Technical manuals - information provided and where to find it Sunparts website - how to use and how to access Web iQ - why and how to use and how to get access
STEPS - Powerchair Control Systems and Programming - Practical Training	www.sunrisemedical.co.uk FOC	Therapists, assistants, technicians and RE's	VR2 and R-net practical training
STEPS - Powerchair Control Systems	www.sunrisemedical.co.uk FOC – 2 days		Day 1: System overview VR2 and R-net Application (where and when to use options)

and Programming			•	Features and options
			•	Basic programming
			•	VR2 to OEM level
			Day 2:	
			•	R-net to OEM level
			•	Advanced programming
			•	Special controls (products and programming)
			•	Web IQ, how to access and use
Ottobock –	www.ottobock.co.uk	Therapists,	•	Considers equipment necessary dependent on condition
Academy Mobility		assistants, RE's	•	Clinical benefits of powered wheelchair functions
Solutions	FOC		•	Further details to be follow

Name	Provider	Audience	Learning objectives/content
HDTI – Coventry University	www.coventry.ac.uk	Therapists, engineers, students, assistants, technicians	 A range of courses developed on a yearly basis. Previous topics include transportation, outcome measures, management of spasticity, 24 hour postural management approach.
Clinical Technology FdSc Foundation Degree	London Southbank University Dr VGA Goss, MA,MSc, BEng, MIMechE, LCGI, Senior Lecturer Dynamics Department of Engineering and Design London South Bank University London SE1OAA Tel: 02078157625	Technicians	FdSc Clinical Technology is designed to assist those already employed as a clinical technician to further their careers, by preparing students for promotion and new career opportunities within their chosen technical area, including special seating, prosthetics and orthotics. This is done by broadening and extending the experiences they have already gained in the work place. You will gain an appreciation of how human anatomy, physiology and pathology relate to biomechanics, and how the factors impact on rehabilitation. You'll learn to develop the necessary skills to work effectively with service users, carers and a

	email: gossga: <u>lsbu.ac.uk</u>	multidisciplinary team. The course is based around four core subject areas: • mechanics • materials (and biomaterials)
		 manufacturing and design clinical rehabilitation knowledge.
Posture,		Seating Assessment & Solutions Level 1 - Course Outline
Seating and Wheelchair Mobility Across the Life		The SeatTech Seating Assessment & Solutions Level 1 Course has been designed to enable clinicians who conduct seating assessment as part of their clinical role to develop their skills, knowledge and understanding in this area.
Course.		Course Objectives
		The key objectives of the course are to:
		Assist participants to develop an understanding of the basic principles of seating;
		Provide clinicians with the resources, information and skills to carry out a comprehensive seating assessment;
		 Enable participants to interpret the findings of assessment and to develop workable seating solutions which meet their client's needs.
		The course is divided into three full days of training which includes both academic and practical sessions.

	Seating Assessment & Solutions Level 2 - Course Outline
	The SeatTech Seating Assessment & Solutions Level 2 Course has been designed primarily for clinicians who conduct seating assessment for individuals with complex physical disability as a component of their clinical role.
	Course Objectives
	The key objectives of the course are to enhance the participants:
	 ability to undertake a holistic approach to the assessment process and an in-depth analysis of the functional, environmental and physical parameters involved. ability to prescribe equipment solutions that provide postural support, comfort and enhance the service user's social participation.

• understanding of the benefits of interdisciplinary work.

academic and practical sessions.

• The course is divided into three full days of training which includes both