

Parallel Session 2

2. Outcome Measures Suitable for Use in Seating and Mobility Services.

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This presentation will focus on a range of Outcome Measures suitable for use in specialised seating and wheelchair services. The following measures will be discussed in detail:

- The Wheelchair Outcome Measure (Mortenson et al, 2007, 2008)
- The Functional Mobility Assessment (<http://www.few.pitt.edu>)
- The Quebec User Evaluation of Satisfaction with Assistive Technology (Demers et al, 2002)
- The Wheelchair Skills Test (Kirby et al, 2002)

Aims and Objectives

- Participants will have increased awareness of the importance of using Outcome Measures in the clinical setting
- Participants will gain knowledge of a range of Outcome Measures suitable for use in specialised seating and wheelchair services
- Participants will be given practical advice on the implementation of the use of outcome measures in the clinical setting
- Participants will be made aware of potential barriers to using Outcome Measures in the clinical setting, and where possible, how to overcome these barriers.

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