

# Wheelchair Assessment Checklist: Steps to Remember and Questions to Ask

## **Steps to Remember**

## 1) Get a Wheelchair Assessment Prescription

- ✓ Contact your doctor to set an appointment to get a prescription for a wheelchair assessment
- ✓ Attend your doctor appointment

  Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_ Doctor/Location \_\_\_\_\_

## 2) Set Your Wheelchair Assessment Appointment

- ✓ Get a referral for a clinician or find a clinician to conduct your assessment
- ✓ Get a referral for a medical equipment supplier or find your own
- ✓ Call the clinician and set an appointment You must set your own wheelchair assessment appointment

Date	Time	Clinician/Location	

### 3) Communicate with your Clinician

- ✓ Tell your clinician if you have your own medical supplier or ask for a referral
- ✓ Complete your self-assessment on page 1.4 before your assessment and bring this to your assessment to share with your clinician

### 4) Attend your Assessment

- ✓ You, your clinician, and your supplier will be at your assessment and will all have active roles working together to find the best wheelchair for you.
- √ Ask questions (examples below)
- ✓ Advocate for your needs by posing questions, communicating your wants, and asking for information you want. Do you want a home assessment? Ask for one. Are you interested in driving or need help with accommodations in your home? Ask for help.
- ✓ Collaborate and work with the clinician and supplier to complete your wheelchair assessment.

### **Ask questions:**

- o I'm unclear about how my wheelchair will work in my home and vehicle. Do you think I need a home evaluation?
- o How long will the process take to get my chair?
- o What insurance information do you need from me?
- o Is there a warranty on this wheelchair? What does it cover? Just parts? Is labor included?
- Where will the delivery of my wheelchair take place?
- What if there are issues with this wheelchair do I come to your office or do you come out to my home?
- o Can we review the details of my equipment prescription? I want to be sure I understand and agree to all details of my prescription.

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