



THE BOSTON HOME'S SEATING CLINIC
ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY, SEATING AND MOBILITY
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VISUAL ASSESSMENT
POSTURE

How does person sit now?
Can posture improve with appropriate equipment set-up properly?
Does function improve with good posture?

FUNCTION

What can person do now?
How does person do it?
Are good body mechanics used to decrease development of long-term problems?
What types of things does person want to do?
Can person learn how to do activity with good posture and good body mechanics?

COMFORT

What is tolerance for sitting now?
What is tolerance for sitting with different equipment?
Are there skin integrity issues?
What are the expected changes with new or modified equipment?

PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT
MAT ASSESSMENT

SEATING SIMULATION

WHEELCHAIR TESTING

POTENTIAL CHALLENGES TO CONSIDER

ROM

Strength/Weakness/Fatigue/Exhaustion

Tone

Incontinence

Vision Loss

Hearing Loss

Speech Difficulties

Swallowing Difficulties

Cognitive Issues

Psychological Issues

Pain Issues

Weight Changes

Pressure Sores

Urinary Tract Infections

CHAIR OPTIONS

Manual Wheelchairs

Manual wheelchairs with power assist wheels

Scooters

Basic folding/non-folding power wheelchairs

Performance power wheelchairs

Power bases

SEATING SYSTEM OPTIONS

Tilt-in-Space Seating

Back Recline

Elevating Leg Rests

Standers

Elevating Seat

Combinations

DRIVE CONTROL SYSTEM OPTIONS

Proportional

Hand Control (joystick)

Head Control (RIM)

Non-Proportional

Head Array

Sip n' Puff

Single Switches

Scanner System

Switches for Power Wheelchair Functions

DRIVE PARAMETERS

Forward Speed

Reverse Speed

Turning Speed

Acceleration

Turning Acceleration

Deceleration

Joystick Throw

FUNDING OBSTACLES

Insurance

Co-Pays

Repairs

RE-ASSESSMENT OF NEEDS AT NEXT APPOINTMENT:

Changes in posture

Changes in function

Changes in comfort

Acceptance of changes and equipment needs