

Equipment Training - learning objectives

Understand the role of equipment (chairs, standing frames, waling aids, birthing aids, hoists & slings) in:

- Promoting function
- Maintaining symmetry and alignment
- Slowing progress of deformities

When assessing for equipment, take account of the environment in which it will be used

Be able to assess the patient, measure and fit equipment. Observe its effectiveness in use and adjust if necessary

Understand the need for regular maintenance

To find and use the operator manuals on the Physionet website

Recognise the need for, and practise safe manual handling techniques when using equipment.

Be able to plan for dismantling and local recycling when items become unfit for use.

Teaching and learning methods and assessment

PowerPoint presentations – face to face or virtual

Group workshops with children and equipment

Self-assessed competencies, pre and post course

Incorporation of standardised assessments

Measurement templates/guidance

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