


Gloucestershire Community Equipment Service
Equipment Competencies Assessment

EQUIPMENT TYPE: FURNITURE RAISERS	
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Name	Date
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Select a single item or groups of similar equipment as appropriate to your job role.

Bed Raising Unit		Grip-On Raisers	
Multi-Purpose Raisers		Chair Raising Unit	
Awareness of Morris & Alexander Range		Other: Give details	

	YES	NO	Comments
1. Core Competencies			
I have completed the 'Core Skills' competencies assessment and confirm that I have the underpinning knowledge required to safely and appropriately use the Community Equipment Service.			
2. Considerations prior to use			
I am aware of the specification for this equipment including safe working load, size, shape and relevant environmental issues. I am able to use this information to ensure that the selected equipment will safely fit the person and the environment.			
I am aware of the abilities required to use this equipment safely.			
I understand the need to consider associated items that may be required with this equipment such as grab rails.			
I possess the knowledge to select compatible equipment suitable for use with this equipment.			
	YES	NO	Comments
3. When could this equipment be used			
I can summarise the key reasons why a service user's assessed needs may be met by this equipment.			
I am able to take into account the person's, carer's and family needs when considering whether this equipment will meet assessed needs.			

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4. Contraindications for use			
I have sufficient knowledge to discuss the risks and benefits of this equipment with the service user/carer and ensure that they are happy for it to be provided and fitted.			
I am able to identify contraindications for provision of this equipment, and can recognise when the person is not able to use it safely or the environment is unsuitable.			
5. Fitting			
I know what information is required to arrange for this equipment to be safely fitted. AND/ OR (depending on role and equipment type) I am able to safely fit this equipment.			
6. Recommendations/ instructions for use			
I have the knowledge and ability to show the user/ carers how to use this equipment safely.			
I have the knowledge and ability to establish whether user/ carers are able to understand and operate this equipment safely and appropriately.			
7. Maintenance			
I am able to give information to user/ carers about regular safety checks and routine maintenance.			
I am able to identify when routine maintenance may be difficult for the user/ carers and to discuss options for dealing with this.			
I am aware of my responsibility to ensure that user/ carers are aware of who to call if there is a fault with this equipment.			

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SELECT THE RELEVANT STATEMENT BELOW:

BASIC AWARENESS:

This type of equipment is new to me. I have identified my learning needs on the next page.

or

My job role does not require me to select and provide this type of equipment.

I confirm that I have a basic awareness of this equipment. I can support safe working practice when working with other staff; and when visiting people who already have this equipment.

Signature		Date	
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SUPERVISED COMPETENCY:

Assessment Method	Comments
Reflection	
Observation	
Written evidence	
Questioning	
Demonstration	
Other	

I confirm that _____ has demonstrated competence to select and provide this equipment.

Supervisor Name		Signature	
Supervisor Job title		Date	
Supervisee Signature		Date	

SELF-ASSESSED COMPETENCY:

I confirm that I am competent to select and provide this equipment.

I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to maintain and update my knowledge and skills relating to this competency.

I am aware of my professional responsibility for continuing professional development and realise I am accountable for my actions.

Assessor Signature		Date	
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<p>Learning Needs</p>	
<p>Plan</p>	
<p>Review Date</p>	