

Equipment Comparison Charts

Tips & Advice

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The Enable clinical services advisory teams have developed equipment <u>comparison</u> <u>charts</u> to provide an overview of equipment available in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and a starting point for assessors when selecting equipment.

Most of the current comparison charts focus on equipment suitable for people in a higher weight range and include equipment available on the MoH and ACC Equipment Lists. The initial focus on higher capacity equipment was due to the Clinical Services Advisors (CSAs) often receiving queries around this type of equipment. It is less commonly available, and many suppliers don't offer a full range across all equipment types. So rather than searching through multiple websites, the comparison charts provide assessors with a head start!

The comparison charts are regularly reviewed to ensure information is current. They list the model and make of an item, along with key specifications and supplier links for assessors to investigate further.

Assessors may also find it useful to watch the recorded webinar available on the Enable website – <u>Considerations around Bariatric Equipment</u> where the CSAs explore assessment strategies and equipment options to promote independence.