

Updated approved product lists for wheelchairs and large equipment

Approved Product Lists for G, K, L and W Approved Product Lists (APLs) have been updated effective July 1, 2015.

All changes on the Approved Product lists are highlighted in yellow. Pricing changes (increases) are noted for the majority of benefit as a result of increased manufacturer pricing and decreased discounts offered by AADL vendors.

Please refer to the updated APL for further details at <http://www.health.alberta.ca/services/AADL-program-manual.html>.

Additions to the APL:

- **Pediatric Manual Wheelchair** – Quickie Zippie Zone, a rigid frame wheelchair
- **Adult Standard Manual Wheelchairs** – Sunrise Quickie Qxi, Standard sized Voyageur Plus, and the Motion Composite Helio C2 with a carbon fiber frame
- **Power Wheelchairs** – Sunrise ZM310 (Pediatric Youth) and the Sunrise QM-710 and Pride Quantum Q6 Edge Z
- **Lifters:** L314 Rise Porto 450 Overhead Track Lifter
- **Bathlifts:** L359 Drive's Belle Vita Bathlift
- **Commodes:** G036 Artisan Heavy Duty ATS500 AXW available in larger sizes than the ATS500AF
- **Shower Commodes:** Dynamic Jazz SP & AP (G068 self-propelling and G069 attendant propelling)
- **Pediatric Equipment:** (K275) - Trekkor Gait Trainer, Size 3 Crocodile Gait Trainer, Size 3 (K047) Manatee Bath seat, and size large (K030) HTS

Discontinued Products on the APL:

Discontinued Products have been listed separately on the last page of the APL's. Authorizers may submit authorizations for these products; however they will be subject to availability. If not available, the authorizer will be notified by AADL to substitute another product.

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Other notes:

Adult Commodes (G):

The Dynamic Mariner under **G044** commodes are designed to withstand shower use. These may be a good choice for clients who are not eligible for a shower commode but will need one in the future. Clients may now access funding for the Dynamic Raz Shower Commode for use as a commode only under **G068** (shower/commodes). This is considered an upgrade. These authorizations require clinical justification and prior approval from the Mobility Manager.

Lifters (L):

Slings matching discontinued lifters will remain on the APL.

Pediatric Equipment (K):

Authorizers may now request the **K030** HTS Hygiene & Toileting system for clients who need it for both bathing and toileting and do not have a wheel-in-shower. This equipment will remain as dual purpose. The **Tub Base Component** has been added for use of this equipment in the bathtub. Clinical justification and prior approval from the Mobility Manager is required.

Updated manual wheelchair specification sheets

Updated Manual Wheelchair Specification Sheets are available on the AADL website. Please make note of any changes on the specification sheets at <http://www.health.alberta.ca/services/AADL-manual-wheelchair-specs.html>.

Tips and reminders about the QFR process

- In order to expedite QFR requests in a timely manner, we ask that authorizers submit their requests to the dedicated QFR fax line (780-644-1521) as opposed to sending them in the mail.
- Please ensure all fields are completed. Incomplete forms will be faxed back to the authorizer.
- Please ensure that all relevant attachments are included with the QFR. For example, if you are requesting a bath lift make sure to attach the bath lift assessment summary.
- Do not submit a QFR if what you request falls outside of the QFR process parameters. **Pursue alternate funding resources for these items.** For example:
 - AADL does not provide funding for lost, stolen, or damaged benefits; **clients are responsible to replace these items through their private insurance coverage (recommended during assessment).**
- Wheelchairs older than five years, pediatric equipment that cannot be adjusted further and must be replaced due to growth and equipment that has been evaluated by a vendor as not repairable **do not** require a QFR.
- Do not submit authorization forms with the QFR.
- A separate QFR should be completed for each requested benefit. Do not bundle items onto one form unless the items have to be in conjunction with one another. For example ... **a walker and forearm attachments can be requested on the same QFR.**
- Please confirm the quantity and frequency review limits before you create a QFR. We are noticing an increase in the number of QFRs that are being withdrawn because the client is not over quantity.

Wheelchair accessories update

- The Wheelchair Accessories Approved Product List (V-APL) has been updated and is posted at www.health.alberta.ca/documents/AADL-Manual-V-Products.pdf. Please access this APL for updated product and pricing information.
- Catalogue numbers V551 and V550 can be used when requesting early replacement of wheelchair accessories. A client may be authorized for an early replacement cushion if there is a demonstrated clinical need that meets the eligibility criteria.
 - V551: Adult Replacement Cushion – Size Change
 - V551: Adult Replacement Cushion – Skin Integrity issue
 - V550: Pediatric Replacement Cushion – Growth

Medical-Surgical

Information for AADL authorizers

Please take the time to fill out all AADL forms completely in order to avoid any delays for the clients. Incomplete forms are sent back to the Authorizer to be completed.

Some Reminders about the use of the 1250 form

- The 1250 form was recently updated in February 2015. Please use the new version of the 1250 form. If your office does not have the updated form, you can contact datagroup at Service Alberta https://secure5.datagroup.ca/acsc/request_ext.asp to order new forms.
- 1250 forms are to be mailed in to AADL for all clients with the exception of clients with a palliative diagnosis. AADL will accept faxed 1250 forms for palliative clients.

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- Remember to fill in the name and vendor number on the 1250 and the correction and change form.
- Ensure that the client has signed and dated the 1250 form.
- Give the client copy of the 1250 to the client and send the vendor copy to the vendor.
- The assessment must occur before the client signs the 1250 form.

Other Notes

- Medical-surgical authorizers can use correction and change forms up to three months from the expiry date of the authorization. (If you are unclear about the expiry date, please e-mail the appropriate benefit clerk).
- When authorizing diapers/liners and briefs, authorize the quantity that the client is using and not the maximum.
- Palliative care nurses-please do not authorize MAXIMUM quantities of diapers unless substantiated by clients actual usage
- Only authorize for products within your approved product range.
- Address and facility changes for AADL authorizers and address changes for AADL clients can be made via email to Debbie.Sykora@gov.ab.ca
- Please include your designation with your signature on all correspondence to AADL, e.g. ET RN, Certified Lymphedema Therapist (CLT), etc.
- Change of vendor request forms are available on-line www.health.alberta.ca/documents/AADL-Change-Vendor-form.pdf. These forms must be mailed or faxed in and will not be processed over the phone.

Attention vendors and authorizers

- For Medical Surgical inquiries you can e-mail Debby.Baumann@gov.ab.ca for clients with last names from A-L and Penny.Porta@gov.ab.ca for clients with last names M-Z.
- Note that the quantity of the **M263** is two pads every four months.