

### Mobility Benefits

#### Updated Approved Product Lists (APLs) for Pediatric Equipment (K), Beds and Lifters (L) and Wheelchairs (W).

Approved Product Lists for K, L and W have been updated effective immediately. Changes have been highlighted on the APLs at <http://www.health.alberta.ca/services/AADL-program-manual.html>.

#### Updated Manufacturer Manual Wheelchair Specification Sheets

Effective February 1, 2015, Wheelchair Specification Sheets on the AADL website have been updated to provide clarification on pricing options for adjustable tension backs and spoke wheels. Pricing clarifies when an option is no charge or an upcharge for the client.

#### Spoke Wheel Option on Manual Wheelchairs

Spoke wheels on AADL manual wheelchairs are either a standard option or considered an upgrade.

As a standard option, AADL covers the cost of maintenance and repairs to the spoke system. AADL does not cover maintenance or repairs on natural fit handrims or high pressure tire options on spoke wheels.

Clients must ensure spoke wheels are maintained regularly. If there is evidence of non-compliance with this requirement AADL may replace the wheels with plastic ones when cost effective. It is important to educate the client on the importance of regular maintenance.

The following wheelchairs are available with the spoke wheels **as standard option**.

Catalogue #	Model	Restrictions
W119	Little Waive Tsunami	
W135	Quickie Kidz	
W133	Quickie GP/GPV	
W148	Breezy Rubix2	
W149	Crossfire	
W154	Tsunami	
W320	Eclipse	(on heavy duty package only)
W321	Stellar	(on heavy duty package only)
W322	Bentley	(on heavy duty package only)
W327	Quickie GT	
W328	Compass XE	
W330	Breezy Relax2	
W848	Quickie M6	



## Replacing Wheelchairs that are over 10 years old

AADL will not replace a wheelchair due to the age of the wheelchair alone.

- If:
- ◆ the wheelchair is over 10 years old **(and)**
  - ◆ requires replacement **(and)**
  - ◆ it is obvious the chair is not repairable **(or)** is not worth repairing,

Then all the following rules apply:

- ◆ Client does not have to have the wheelchair evaluated by an AADL vendor.
- ◆ A vendor work order is not required by AADL stating the wheelchair is no longer repairable.
- ◆ The authorizer must document on the 1251 form that the wheelchair is over 10 years old.
- ◆ The authorizer must document on the 1251 form the rationale for requiring a replacement.