

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

(For Clients)

Do I qualify for a wheelchair through the Manitoba Wheelchair Program?

Yes if you:

- are a full time resident of Manitoba with a valid Manitoba Personal Health Identification Number (PHIN), and
- have a physical disability affecting your mobility, and
- require a wheelchair for a minimum of 6 months, and
- are not entitled to receive a wheelchair through a third party funder, and
- are not in the process of being paneled for a personal care home, or
- are at the end stage of a life-limiting illness and are considered palliative, and
- are prescribed a wheelchair by an Occupational Therapist, Physiotherapist, physician, or registered nurse licensed to practice in Manitoba.

I no longer need the wheelchair. What do I do?

Wheelchairs that are no longer needed must be returned to SMD. If you live in Winnipeg, you can either drop it off at 1857 Notre Dame Avenue or call 204-975-3250 to request pick up. If you live outside of Winnipeg, you can send it back either through Canada Post if it is a manual wheelchair or Gardewine if you have a power chair. For more information on shipping, call 204-975-3250.

*****New*** - April 2014 - Avoid the potholes!**

The snow is almost gone but the potholes have arrived! Avoid them! Your wheelchair has small casters and have limited ground clearance. It is not designed for the potholes. For you power wheelchair users, avoid pools of melted snow as well. The water can damage your wheelchair electronics.