



USAID'S HEALTH EVALUATION AND APPLIED RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT (HEARD) PROJECT





Integration Snapshot T Dalhousie University

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CONTEXT SETTING







Country: **Canada** Resource Setting: **High**

PREMISE OF WHEELCHAIR-SPECIFIC TOPIC

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Program: 1-2 years MSc in Occupational Therapy

Language: English

Approach: lectures, labs, experiential learning

Type: Mandatory

Credit: 1 course credits - 20 hours of wheelchair education Schedule: 5 hours lecture + 15 hours lab/experiential learning embedded in Physical Rehabilitation course **Historical Context: Uncertain**

Learning Objectives: To understand the Occupational Therapist's role in wheelchair provision; To be able to complete basic wheelchair fitting and user training.

WHEELCHAIR SERVICE PROVISION TOPICS based on WHO 9-Step Model

Step 1 Appointment & Referral

Step 3 Prescription

Step 5 Product (Wheelchar) Preparation

Step 7 User Training

Step 2 Assessment

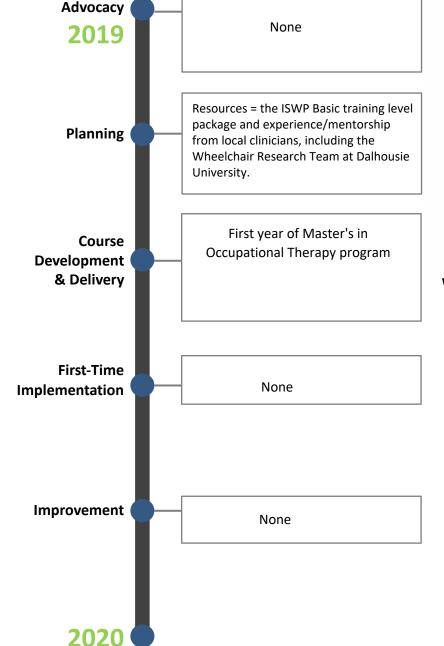
Step 4 Funding & Ordering

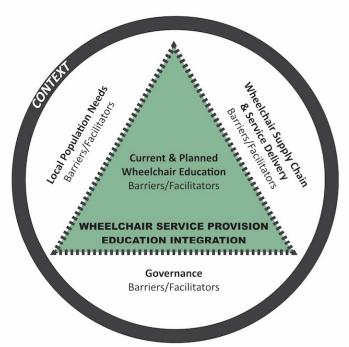
Step 6 Fitting

Step 8 Maintenance & Follow-Up

INTEGRATION PROCESS

At every state of wheelchair service provision education integration were elements from (1) local population needs, (2) governance, (3) wheelchair supply chain & service delivery and current & planned wheelchair education. The timeline below includes resources found in ISWP SMART as denoted by *.





Wheelchair Service Provision Education Integration Process Model

Major barriers encountered during the integration process:

- 1. Time constraints
- 2. Limited wheelchairs and related equipment