

OT9552 CARING FOR SELF AND OTHERS
WHEELCHAIR AND SEATING ASSESSMENT
CASE STUDY – PHILLIP GARCIA

Client: **Phillip Garcia**
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Reason for Referral: ADP Wheelchair and Seating assessment

Phillip is 68 years old and lives in a small Ontario community. Six months ago, he had a right hemispheric stroke which resulted in left hemiplegia and mild left neglect.

Phillip is married with 1 married child and two grandchildren. Both he and his spouse are retired. Phillip's wife has a history of fibromyalgia.

Phillip returned to his home after one month in a hospital in a rental wheelchair without a cushion. He spends most of his day either lying in bed or sitting in his favourite recliner chair on the screened porch of his home.

While in hospital, Phillip developed a stage 2 coccyx ulcer. Fortunately, the pressure ulcer was quickly discovered by nursing and measures were put in place allowing the ulcer to heal in approximately 2 months (i.e. nursing care and positioning recommendations).

Initially following his stroke, Phillip had difficulty sitting upright in his rental wheelchair, and often found himself sliding forward in his chair. However, Phillip is getting stronger each day and can now stand upright with the help from a family member.

Phillip is unable to move his left arm or left leg. He is exercising his right arm and is very keen to have a wheelchair so that he can be more mobile and less reliant on his family.

Phillip wants to be able to move around his small home which is all on one level, and around his local community. The terrain is mostly gravel roads. One of his grandsons owns a car and says that he will take him out if he has a wheelchair.

PMedHx: Right CVA, Type II Diabetes,