

HEALTH SERVICES – INSURED HEALTH SERVICES

Section Drug Programs	Title: Batteries for Electric Wheelchairs	Policy #: DP-3
Date Issued: February 6th, 2013	Cross Reference: DP-2: Electronic Wheel Chair Policy	

SPECIFIC LEGAL REFERENCE:

- 1) Chronic Disease and Disability Benefits Regulation
 - a. Section 1; 2.(1); 2.(4); 5.(1)-(2)

DEFINITIONS: Not applicable

BACKGROUND:

There are instances where an electric wheelchair may be required to meet the health care needs of an individual. The Chronic Disease and Disability Benefits Regulations, via the Chronic Disease program, provide expanded coverage for this purpose.

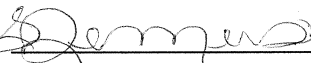
It is customary that the cost of new electronic wheelchairs includes the first battery. However, clients provided with a previously owned electronic wheelchair may not also receive a durable battery.

POLICY:

Upon the provision of written support by a medical professional to the Chronic Disease and Disability Benefits Program, special consideration may be given to support the full coverage of an electric wheelchair for a client, including the cost of the first battery or batteries. The cost associated with additional batteries for new electronic wheelchairs is to be the responsibility of the client.

In situations where the Chronic Disease Program provides previously used electronic wheelchairs to clients, the Chronic Disease Officer may elect to offer a one-time provision of batteries.

All other Insured Health related policies that govern replacement, ownership, and depreciation shall apply.

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Note: All requirements of the Acts and Regulations governing Yukon Health Services shall remain in effect.