CRT Industry Webinar September 28, 2023

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Welcome

- · Webinar being recorded; video and handout will be available tomorrow morning
- · Attendees on mute until open discussion at end of presentation
- · Q & A type questions in during session OR unmute your phone at end
- Previous webinar recordings and handouts at www.ncart.us and www.nrrts.org

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Agenda Topics

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Congressional Activity and Outlook
- 3. NCART CRT Legislative and Advocacy News
- 4. NRRTS Educational Opportunities and Resources
- 5. Clinician Task Force Recent and Upcoming Work
- 6. Q & A

Congressional Activity & Outlook

- · House and Senate in session.
- Primary focus is on keeping government programs operating beyond 9/30.
- Introduction of HR 5371 would allow consumer titanium & carbon fiber upgrades.
- · CRT congressional meetings and expo.
- · Federal Right to Repair.
- · Power Seat Elevation update & timeline.
- · Power Standing advocacy.

Power Standing Update

- Power Standing NCD release was discussed during Congressional meetings during the fly in.
- · Congressional Staffers were very interested in light of Seat Elevation NCD
- ITEM Coalition held a conference call with CMS to discuss Power Standing on September 26th.
 - · Consumers, Clinicians, Physicians, NCART, and manufacturer attended
 - · Very compelling new clinical data was described and CMS asked for us to send over
- · No definitive answer but the group did a great job of educating CMS
- · Stay Tuned!!

CRT State Legislative Update

- · Three States bills we are currently working
- · California- SB 271- On Governor Newsom's desk for signature
 - Raise cap on prior authorization from \$250 to \$1,250
 - Some non-clinical, programmable, or electronic parts available for consumers
- Connecticut
 - · Mandated Legislative Work Group meeting bi-weekly
 - Includes manufacturers, suppliers, consumers, insurance representative, legislators, various state agencies
 - Report Due to CT. legislature on February 2, 2024

CRT State Legislative Update

- · Massachusetts- Warranty bill
- NCART met with Senator John Cronin, Senate Ways & Means Staff and House President's office
 - We shared our concerns with the bill language and the unintended consequences of the bill.
 - We presented additional options that based on our experience would help fix the repair and service issue.
 - We continue to want to work with Consumers to develop a bill that will fix the repair and service issue for all citizens of Massachusetts.
- · Rep. McKenna introduced our bill that we believe will help fix the issues



- NCART/NRRTS Annual Fly-In (virtual) September 13th
- · Over 200 Registrants
- 220 Meetings Held with Legislative Offices; Great feedback following discussions about CRT
- Important Member/Constituent Relationships Established or Strengthened
- · The "Asks" of our legislators
 - Congressional Support Urging CMS to Act on Power Standing Coverage Determination Process
 - H.R. 5371 Choices for Increased Mobility Act of 2023
 - · Needed CRT Reimbursement and Repair Reforms



CRT Capitol Hill Expo Goals

- Educate Members of Congress about the various CRT equipment utilized by individuals with disabilities
- Differentiate CRT products from standard DME
- Guide them through the different equipment and go over
 - Have them see it, feel it, touch it, try it out
 - We need to reach that "I got it now" moment

CRT Capitol Hill Product Expo

Product Expo Results

- 6 Members of Congress attended
- 47 different Congressional offices sent staff
- Many from leadership and committees of jurisdiction



CRT Capitol Hill Product Expo

It was great to have consumers attend-Two incredible young advocates

Thanks also to:

- Christopher and Dana Reeves Foundation
- United Spinal
- ALS Association
- Paralyzed Veterans of America







Practice Guidelines for CRT Service, Preventative Maintenance, and Repair

https://b.link/NPG





NRRTS DIRECTIONS Magazine



CEU Article: Powered Wheelchair Standing Device Use in Children.

Lisa Kenyon, PT, DPT, PhD, PCS

Clinical Editorial: The device needs to fit the lifestyle - not just the child. Roslyn Livingstone, MSc(RS)OT

Notes From the Field: Do What You Love and Call It Work

- · NCART CRT Update
- · DIRECTIONS Canada
- Industry Leader: Jeff Preston

... and Much More!

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This webinar will introduce specific strategies to track clinical outcomes and support integration of PWSD use into daily life activities. Case studies and examples from our work will be used to illustrate application of these strategies.

October



When head stability is compromised, the correct positioning of the wheelchair user's head and cervical spine is essential for social interaction, access drive controls, upper extremity function and critical functions like breathing, eating and swallowing.

October

9/28/2023







Clinician Task Force

- Engaged in CRT awareness week and Virtual Fly-in
- · Hosted "Ethics Coffee Chat" for members this month
- Power Standing Systems met with CMS 9.26.23
 - · Critical updates to evidence base
- Power Assist
- Preparing for 2024!
 - 1 more member meeting this year
 - · Board nominations are in process
 - Pledge 2024 information coming soon!
 - Email cara.masselink@wmich.edu, go to www.cliniciantaskforce.us, or watch our socials for information



Webinar Wrap Up

- Thanks for your commitment!
- · Handout and recording will be available tomorrow.
- Q&A
- Have webinar topic suggestions? Let us know!

The next CRT Industry Webinar will be Thursday, December 14 at 4:00 PM ET!