## Criteria for the Provision of Occupant-Propelled Energy Efficient Wheelchairs (EE)

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Patients must meet all the following criteria to be eligible for the provision of energy efficient self-propelled wheelchairs.

- 1) Are severely and permanently restricted in their mobility.
- 2) Have a home environment and outdoor environment where relevant, that is compatible with and safe for use of the wheelchair.
- **3) Either** Have demonstrated that their ability to self-propel a chair with wheels in an energy efficient, and therefore potentially unstable position, is adequate and significantly better than in a standard wheelchair\*.
  - **Or** Have demonstrated that their ability to be <u>independently</u> mobile by car and wheelchair is significantly better with an energy efficient wheelchair than with a standard wheelchair\*.
- 4) Have demonstrated adequate control of static and dynamic stability of the wheelchair necessary for their likely environment(s) of usage, with the wheelchair equipped with anti-tip wheels as appropriate.
- 5) Have a lifestyle which requires frequent and <u>independent</u> use of a self propelling wheelchair.
- 6) Derive significant improvement in their quality of life through the use of an energy efficient wheelchair.
- 7) Agree that the provision may be reviewed on a regular basis.

\*Standard Wheelchair = Lomax Uni, Remploy Scottish or equivalent