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SWEP Communique

Prescriber commencement at Chemtronics

SWEP is pleased to announce the appointment of senior Occupational Therapist, Sarah Casey to join the Chemtronics team in Thomastown. This appointment is the result of a partnership between SWEP, Chemtronics and the Independent Living Centre.

Sarah has over thirteen years' experience as an occupational therapist and has worked in numerous clinical environments throughout Perth, Melbourne and the UK. She has a strong interest and extensive experience in the prescription of equipment and has worked in many specialist equipment prescription environments. These include the Centre for Cerebral Palsy in Perth, Rehabilitation Engineering Clinic in Perth, the Independent Living Centre in Perth and Aidacare in Melbourne.

Sarah will concentrate on the high-end equipment items including manual and powered wheelchairs, seating systems, some pressure care equipment and pediatric equipment. Wheelchairs and seating systems including backrests and some specialist headrests will soon be assetted separately, ensuring you are provided with the best opportunity to script this equipment to meet your client's needs.

Sarah's role will be primarily focused on support for prescribers to:

- Improve the accessibility of the reissue database, making it easier for therapists to find equipment that meets their clients' needs.



- Provide specialist advice in regards to the prescription of available reissue equipment.
- Increase the ease of prescribing reissue manual and powered wheelchairs for your clients that require specialised seating.
- Increase opportunities for therapists to trial equipment and increase the likelihood of successful prescriptions of reissue equipment.

Sarah is available to assist and can certainly provide advice but as with any equipment provision, it is your responsibility to ensure the equipment adequately meets your client's clinical needs and as the prescribing therapist, have the clinical responsibility for the prescription of the equipment.

Sarah's days of work are Mondays, Wednesday mornings and Thursdays based at Chemtronics, 30 Brand Drive, Thomastown. You can contact her by calling Chemtronics main line 9463 2888 or her mobile 0477 727 003. Sarah's email address is sarah.casey@yooralla.com.au