Eligibility Criteria

* Service user must be a patient of NHS Lothian or NHS Borders (alternative solutions for service users out of area can be recommended through REMAP via https://remap.org.uk/).
* Service user must have a long term (not less than 6 months) physical impairment which impacts on their functional ability.
* CDS technology design solutions will only be provided to service a rehabilitative/therapeutic need or to other NHS Lothian departments where SMART specialist design and manufacturing capabilities are required – NHS Lothian in-house manufacture.
* CDS technology design solutions will only be provided if the rehabilitative/therapeutic need the service user/department are addressing cannot be accommodated by alternative commercial solutions.
* The CDS will modify commercially available equipment where required in order to enable the equipment to meet a rehabilitative/therapeutic need if the eligibility criteria are met. Additionally, the equipment to be modified must be bought by the service user or external service to the specification of the CDS. This includes modifying equipment provided by Central Equipment Stores (CES) if the request comes from CES or with CES agreement.
* The CDS holds responsibility for its technology design solutions. Therefore in most instances an assessment will be required prior to offering a possible design solution. For this reason the CDS will not manufacture to other peoples design without independent assessment. The exception to this is for NHS Lothian in-house manufacture where the NHS Lothian department designing the solution will be responsibility for the conformity of the manufactured device to the required standards.
* The service user must agree to any safety and performance guidance and/or instructions for use provided by the clinician during device handover prior to use of the device.