Scripting power chairs, right chair for the right job and best outcome

This session aims to clear away confusion and misunderstanding about scripting power wheelchairs. This paper has four key objectives:

1. To assist understanding of the difference between front wheel drive, mid wheel drive and rear wheel drive power chairs;
2. To discuss the different characteristics of these drive bases;
3. To build knowledge of the differences of weight distribution on performance;
4. To outline the power base and alternative controls for AT users.

Participants will understand which power wheelchair base and what power seat systems will be best for the individual’s environment. The second part of the puzzle is working out what control system and drive control options are best for your client including: low end, on/off, and more advanced systems. Connectivity to smart phones, the home environment, and even alternate controls such as head array or chin control will be explained, offering a better understanding of power wheelchair scripting, and ensuring the right chair for the right job and the best outcome.