

Appendix F – Equipment for your child

This document is designed to give parents an idea of some of the equipment they may need for their child on Long Term Ventilation.

This information should be discussed with the family.

This is a working document. Please make sure you are using the latest version by checking the version number and date updated below. The latest version of the document is available here <https://www.wellchild.org.uk/10-principles-for-complex-discharge/>

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Equipment for your child

Guidance:

The following equipment information can be provided as a booklet or as individual worksheets to the family.

This is not an exhaustive list of equipment so please add equipment that have been assessed to be relevant to your child.




This booklet contains information about equipment that may be useful for your child. You may not need all of the pieces of equipment so please discuss your equipment needs with your ward nurse or therapists before purchasing to ensure that they will meet your child's needs.

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Trolley for children requiring Long Term Ventilation (LTV)



This leaflet suggests styles of trolleys that can meet the needs of children requiring LTV. If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact your occupational therapist.

Key features and weight capacity:	
Home tea trolley	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 fixed shelves with 4 raised sides • 4 lockable castors • Total load capacity: 80kg
Bristol Maid	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 fixed shelves with 3 raised sides • 4 lockable castors • Maximum load per shelf: 40kg
Udden kitchen trolley	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 fixed shelves, top shelf with 2 raised sides, • lowest shelf wire only • 2 castors • Total load capacity: 34kg

Buggies for children requiring Long Term Ventilation (LTV)

This leaflet gives information about buggies that meet the equipment needs of children requiring LTV. In the event of an unsuitable buggy being purchased, you may not be able to reclaim a refund and this may delay discharge. **Please discuss your buggy preferences with your occupational therapist before purchase to make sure it is suitable.**

Equipment	Weight in kilograms (KG)
Ventilator (please indicate x1 or x2)	
Portable oxygen	
Portable suction	
Tracheostomy box	
Consumables	
Feed	
Other essentials	
Total medical equipment weight	

Buggy	Key features and weight capacity:
Bugaboo Donkey 2	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carrycot or seat • Suitable from birth up to 17kgs • Seat: World - or parent-facing • Weight capacity under-seat basket: 10kg • Other: Side luggage basket: 10kg
Mountain Duet V3 (single)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carrycot or seat • Suitable from birth up to 18kgs • Seat: World or parent-facing (note: must be specified when ordering as parent-facing seat is an extra £169) • Weight capacity under-seat basket: 10kg • Other: Joey bag (accessory) 18kg

Uppababy Vista (double)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carrycot or seat • Suitable from birth up to 22kgs • Seat: Parent-facing only with carrycot • Carrycot: 9kg (can carry medical equipment) • Weight capacity under-seat basket: 5kg
Joolz Geo2	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carrycot or Seat • Suitable from birth up to 15kg • Seat: World- or parent-facing • Weight capacity under-seat basket: 10kg • Other: Two 5kg side-packs can be attached (£31.50 each)
Phil & Ted's Voyager	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carrycot or Seat • Suitable from birth up to 18kgs • Seat: World or parent-facing • Weight capacity under-seat basket: 10kg
iCandy	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carrycot or Seat • Suitable from birth up to 15kgs • Seat: World or parent-facing • Weight capacity under-seat basket: 10kg in all models • Other: iCandy lime: lightweight frame, total weight of buggy frame: 10kg
Baby Jogger City Select	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carrycot or Seat • Suitable from birth up to 20kgs • Seat: World or parent-facing • Weight capacity under-seat basket: 7kg • Other: Seat back mesh pocket: 1kg

Nuna Demi Grow



- Carrycot or Seat
- Suitable from 6 months up to 15kgs
- **Seat:** World or parent-facing
- **Weight capacity under-seat basket:** 4.5kg (by using second seat for storage increases storage capacity to 15kg)
- **Other:** car seat compatible with Nuna own brand car seat

Quinny Hubb Mono



- Carrycot or Seat
- Suitable from birth
- **Seat:** World or parent-facing
- **Weight capacity under-seat basket:** 10kg (Additional XXL shopping basket takes additional 10kg and extra side basket also available)
- **Other:** Lots of accessories – carrycot, universal car seat adapter optional, converts to double buggy

Adapted buggy board for ventilator

The Mini Lascal BuggyBoard can be adapted by a charity called MERU to carry one ventilator. This leaflet outlines the actions required if you wish to obtain an adapted buggy board. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your occupational therapist.

IMPORTANT: Please note, in the event of the adapted buggy board being purchased where it is unsuitable to meet your child's ventilation needs, or if it is not compatible with your buggy, you may not be able to claim a refund and this may delay discharge from hospital. Please discuss your buggy preferences with your occupational therapist before you buy to make sure it is suitable.

Actions required to adapt Mini Lascal BuggyBoard

- Your buggy must be compatible with the Mini Lascal BuggyBoard. It is your responsibility to make sure your buggy is compatible. To check compatibility, visit www.buggyboard.info
- If your buggy is compatible, you can then buy the Mini Lascal BuggyBoard.
- Your occupational therapist will need to complete a referral form to MERU, outlining the make of the ventilator your child has.
- Wait for the referral to be completed and accepted.
- You then need to post/deliver your Mini Lascal BuggyBoard to MERU for them to adapt. **If you send it by post, clearly label your Mini Lascal BuggyBoard with your name and contact details.**

Based on a conversation with MERU in April 2019, it takes roughly two weeks from receipt of BuggyBoard for MERU to adapt the buggy board.


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Cots for children requiring Long Term Ventilation (LTV)

This leaflet suggests styles of cots that meet the needs of children requiring LTV. If you have any further questions or concerns, please speak to your occupational therapist. Please note: this list is not all of the cots available, and is provided as a rough guide only.

If your baby needs more frequent cares due to extra medical needs, for example, tracheostomy tapes or managing a stoma, please consider buying a changing table which is a suitable height to prevent prolonged or repetitive bending down over the cot. If it is considered by the occupational therapy, or medical teams, that a hospital cot is needed due to complex medical needs and/or the weight of the child, an appropriate referral can be made.

Cots	Key requirements
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two or three mattress base positions. • 1 drop side rail.

Changing table	Key requirements
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure weight limit for the equipment is checked. • Ensure the flooring it is placed on is level.