WHAT IS CLASP?

CLASP is a USAID-funded project implemented by UCP Wheels for Humanity that increases access to a variety of high-quality, affordable assistive products, and promotes appropriate provision globally. CLASP provides a solution to supply-side challenges faced by wheelchair service providers in less-resourced settings, such as limited product variety, extensive lead time, and logistical burdens.

HOW DOES CLASP WORK?

CLASP enables buyers to make large or small orders of mixed products and sizes, delivering mobility devices that best suit users' individual needs faster and more efficiently.

CLASP stocks adult and pediatric manual wheelchairs, postural support devices, walking aids, cushions, and parts kits from suppliers including Diversity Development Organization (DDO), INTCO, Motivation, UCP Wheels, and Whirlwind.

HOW ARE PRODUCTS SELECTED?

A Product Advisory Council, comprised of clinical and technical experts, selects which products will be added to CLASP through an annual evaluation and on a rolling basis to ensure that CLASP is responsive to market needs. The goal of CLASP is for buyers, service providers, and other stakeholders to have access to different wheelchair models and non-wheelchair products from a number of suppliers and to consistently provide products of excellent value.

WHAT IS APPROPRIATE PROVISION?

An appropriate wheelchair is one that is fitted to a person's physical, environmental, and lifestyle needs. Appropriate wheelchair provision, provided by trained personnel following guidelines developed by the World Heath Organization, matches a user's unique needs to the most appropriate wheelchair for their needs. A properly fitted wheelchair is critical to a user’s health and quality of life.

One billion people around the world live with disabilities. We're working to improve access to quality, affordable assistive products so no one is left behind.

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