



Equipment Loan Program

Try out medical equipment before you purchase!

Parkinson Association of the Rockies (PAR), provides durable mobility equipment for members to make life living with Parkinson's disease a little easier. The goal of this program is to provide equipment to members when they want to test drive a piece of equipment before they make a purchase or loan equipment while they are working with their insurance provider to acquire their own. **All equipment is for short-term loan (2 months with possible 30-day extension).**

How do I take advantage of this program?

1. Many people are unsure of what type of equipment they may need. PAR recommends consulting a doctor or physical therapist to ensure maximum safety and proper use of equipment. *Be sure to ask if laser equipment is necessary- we find that this is a popular "wanted" request but most of the time it's not needed. This confusion can often create a long waiting list for specific equipment.*
2. Please call our staff at **303-830-1839** to check availability of the equipment you need.
3. At this time, we will schedule an office visit to check out the item. Equipment is loaned on a first-come first-serve basis. If members need a piece of equipment that is currently loaned out, they are then able to be put on a waitlist for that type of equipment.
4. We understand traveling to the office can be troublesome for those with PD- so we allow care takers, significant others, case managers, etc., to pick up the equipment. However, the person picking up equipment will be responsible for the equipment. They **MUST** bring a credit card and matching photo ID to the office to fill out the release form. The release form states that **if equipment is not returned within the 2-month loan period and no communication is documented with the association, the signee will be charged up to \$425.00 to cover the cost for replacement equipment (\$275 for basic U-Step + \$150 for laser).**
5. Our equipment loan program is secured by generous donations and often-times donated equipment. These donations are tax-deductible and help us provide about 30 families with equipment daily, at no cost. PAR graciously accepts equipment donations that are clean and in good working condition. Please know that we appreciate all equipment donations but due to storage room and demand we may only accept certain equipment donations at times.

6. PAR loans U-Step walkers, 4-wheel walkers, transfer chairs, and wheelchairs.

**** Some of our equipment may look different than the photos below****



U-Step Laser Equipped Walker

The U-Step walkers were created specifically for neurological conditions. Their U-shaped base with 5-wheels provides extra support and increased range of mobility. The brakes are designed in a way that the walker will not get far ahead of the user. Users must hold in the hand brakes to walk. When the brakes are released, the walker stops, decreasing the possibility of falls. Most of our U-Step walkers have a laser attachment that benefits patients who experience freezing. The laser can be turned on down in front of the feet, which initiates movement. There is a basket that can also be used as a temporary seat. The U-Step walkers do fold but weigh 24lbs.



4-Wheel Walkers

These are light-weight walkers with 4-wheels and 2 hand brakes. They typically have a seat for resting and a storage basket below the seat. These walkers fold for easy storage and transportation.



Transfer Chairs

Transfer chairs are extremely helpful to caregivers needing to assist patients around the house or out and about. Our transfer chairs are light-weight, have rear wheel locks, swing away footrests, and fold for accessibility. Many have seat belts for added safety.



Manual Wheelchairs

Manual wheelchairs are helpful to someone needing an independent form of mobility. Wheelchairs have footrests and fold up for storage and transportation.
