Medical Equipment Recycle and Reuse

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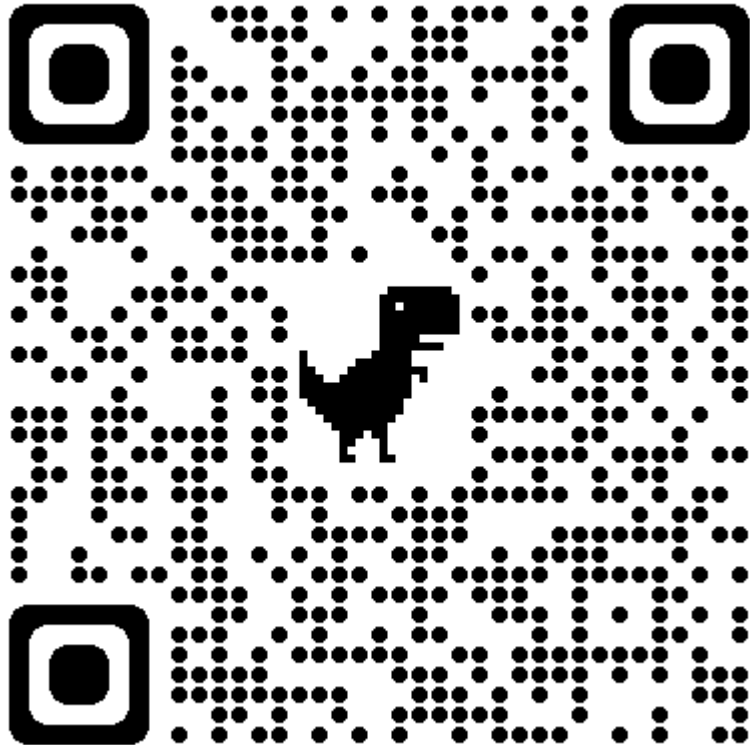# Medical Equipment Recycle and Reuse

MERR Program

- Durable medical equipment and assistive technology devices are available for South Dakota Medicaid recipients at no cost and to those without Medicaid for a nominal fee through the Medical Equipment Recycle and Reuse program.

- Types of equipment include wheelchairs, scooters, standers, patient lifts, gait trainers, hospital beds, etc.

- The items that are donated are sanitized and refurbished to ensure they are high quality and operating at peak performance.

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- To view or request available items:
  - https://www.sd.at4all.com/
  - Select "Items" from the options at the top of the page. Choose the "SD Medical Equipment Recycle & Reuse" option from the Program dropdown menu.
  - The QR code for that page is on the left.
- To contact the Program:
  - Phone: 605-271-5074 or 1-866-274-2594
  - Email: Merrinfo@dakotalink.net

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FAQ

1. Who is eligible to participate in this program?
   - Everyone in the Sioux Falls region and possibly further on a case-by-case basis. Equipment will be made available to Medicaid recipient's first and then open to all after that initial period.
2. How will patients be referred to the website for the equipment?
   - Through their DME provider
3. Who would be responsible for delivering, servicing and inventorying the equipment?
   - The MERR program, it can be delivered to the DME provider for teaching and recipient services.
4. Would the physician be responsible for ordering "Used" equipment?
   - The physician is responsible for writing a prescription. The prescription does not need to specify new vs. used. The DME provider will check the database to determine if reused equipment is available to fill the order. The normal process to match and meet requirements will be followed.
5. How will providers be reimbursed for services?
   - The MERR program will reimburse DME providers for these services for the reused equipment.

Thank You

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