



Name of Service	EQUIPMENT LENDING POOL
Address	126 Kareena Road
City	MIRANDA
State	NSW
Postcode	2228
Work Phone	(02) 9540 7909
Fax Number	(02) 9540 7912
Description of Service	<p>The Equipment Lending Pool hires equipment to residents of the Sutherland Shire who have been hospital in-patients or clients of a community health service, especially Sutherland Hospital and Community Health Service. This is to enable the client to return and remain at home, as independently and safely as possible.</p> <p>The Equipment Lending Pool was established to complement the services of health care professionals. The role of the Equipment Lending Pool is to provide the necessary mobility, self care and rehabilitation equipment to eligible people. The requirement for the equipment to be hired is based on assessment by health professionals.</p>
Who to refer?	A resident of the Sutherland Shire who has been a hospital in-patient or a client of a community health service that has been assessed by an Occupational Therapist, Physiotherapist or Nurse as requiring equipment.
How to refer?	Phone the Equipment Officer. A Hire Agreement form will need to be completed to establish eligibility for the service.
Referral criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Residents of the Sutherland Shire2. Assessed by an Occupational Therapist, Physiotherapist or Nurse for the prescription and instruction in the correct use of the equipment. <p><u>Exclusion criteria:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Clients eligible for the prescription of Aids for disabled People (PADP).2. Insurance or WorkCover clients3. People who are being discharged to or who are residing in high level residential care facilities (Nursing Homes)4. People who are being discharged to or who reside outside the Sutherland Shire.
Is there a waiting list?	No
Waiting list details	There may be a delay on some expensive items such as electric hoists, or on equipment that is in high demand, like walking frames or orthopaedic chairs.
Hours/days of operation	Monday to Friday 8.30am to 10.30am and 2pm to 4pm
Approx costs?	Standard equipment for a pensioner is \$30 and \$50 for a non-pensioner. Special equipment, like hoists, orthopaedic chairs, Roho products, Alpha excel mattress overlays, water chairs and electric wheel chairs or scooters are an extra \$30 for pensioners and \$50 for non-pensioners per month.