

OSOT 2012

Ontario Society of Occupational Therapists (OSOT) invites all Ontario OT's to unite and build their future in healthcare together at Conference 2012 – *Building Together, Reaching New Heights.* They feel that this event will provide an opportunity to present, review, problemsolve and design best practices, explore new directions, build evidence and partnerships!

They have invited folks to join them in reaching new heights as they continue to examine their scope of practice and moving the profession forward within the ever evolving healthcare system. They know the strength of 3,700 OSOT members can make a difference! The event all day Friday September 21 at the International Centre in Mississauga, ON and the exhibit part for us opens at 5:00 – 7:00 PM. There is an evening social designed to celebrate the work of OT's and the show reopens Saturday AM 8:30 – 4:00 PM.

Keynote Presentations information was requested to be removed in September 2022.

Max Valiquette is Canada's foremost expert on youth culture and marketing. He helped found Youthography, and is an internationally recognized speaker on marketing, media, and modern consumers. Max has also made a name for himself as a television host, pundit, and media personality.

Conference 2012 Information can be found here: www.osot.on.ca/eng/workshops/conference.asp



VARILITE Technology



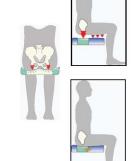
This year, as always, we will have the latest product from Ki Mobility, RGK, Kenda, and Varilite at the event and we will also have a presentation on Varilite technology

that will cover the following material. *VARILITE'S®* Air-Foam Floatation Technology combines the best characteristics of air and foam!

AIR: It is fluid and displaces under load providing pressure relief.

FOAM: It acts like a spring and compresses under load providing support and conformation.

Air-Foam Floatation – Key is immersion. The valve releases air to immerse the user in the foam. Each cell of the open-cell foam provides support and distributes the pressure. Increased immersion provides increased load



distribution and greater stability. Optimal pressure distribution is achieved over the largest possible area. The combination of soft foam under the pelvis and firmer foam under the thighs creates continually adjusting forces that evens out the pressure.

We think the most important considerations for a cushion for a wheelchair user are pressure distribution, postural support, vibration reduction, light weight, and low maintenance. *VARILITE*® cushions excel in all of these areas. The combination of soft foam (green) under the pelvis and firmer foam (blue) under the thighs creates continually adjusting forces (orange arrows) that evens out the interface pressures (red arrows). Air supports the load, while foam keeps the air where it's needed and preserves the cushion shape.

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Ki Mobility



Further to our announcement in August, the Catalyst 5 Spark has been approved and provided with coding through the Assistive Devices Program (ADP) in Ontario.

ADP DEVICE: CATALYST SPARK

DEVICE TYPE 3: LIGHTWEIGHT PERFORMANCE MANUAL

WHEELCHAIR

ADP CODE: WM0000695 ADP PRICE: \$2678.00

This pediatric wheelchair is specifically designed to be used with virtually any clinically prescribed seating system. The Spark compliments the Tsunami Little Wave Rigid from Ki Mobility, having width (without ordering new parts) and depth adjustability. The Spark's backrest increases the usable depth of the seating system by allowing the seat to move underneath the back by an

extra 2". It also comes with 32 degrees of built-in angle adjustability and the ability to change the depth by 4", in 1" increments.

The popular Ki Mobility Little Wave rigid products are width and depth adjustable with all the features required to meet any needs.



Lastly, color changes occur all the time in the industry and Ki Mobility has made way for three new matte finish colors by discontinuing Burgundy, Saphire, and Slate Grey from the color chart which may be viewed here www.kimobility.com.



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RGK

Also announced in August, the RGK Maxima type change from 3 to 4 was



approved and provided with coding through the Assistive Devices Program (ADP) in

The Maxima is RGK's most versatile unit and is made in

either titanium or chrome molly with their Bespoke construction. Standard features include height adjustable footrest, choice of rear wheel sizes 22, 24, 25, 26" and front castors 3, 4, 5, 6", locks, adjustable tension seat sling, adjustable tension backrest, calf strap, and a tool kit. There are a wide range of extra cost options like choice of side guards, stroller or push handles, anti-tip mechanisms, adjustable height backrest, upgraded wheels, etc.

ADP DEVICE NAME: MAXIMA – ADULT HIGH

PERFORMANCE RIGID MANUAL WHEELCHAIR

ADP CODE: WM0000696 ADP PRICE: \$3592.00

ADP DEVICE NAME: **MAXIMA** – PAEDIATRIC HIGH PERFORMANCE RIGID MANUAL WHEELCHAIR

ADP CODE: WM0000697 ADP PRICE: \$3889.00



The revised ADP Codes for RGK and Ki Mobility are now listed under company on our web site.

KENDA 50th

Kenda USA celebrated their 50th Anniversary September 14th and we made the trip to Columbus, OH to be



there to meet the folks involved in all facets of the operation. Jimmy Yang, his wife Dolly, Charlie, and Pia looked after us very well and we enjoyed the trip and facility tour, albeit a fly in and out in 24 hours.

Bits and Bytes

GSOT Sept 21-22, 2012 Mississauga, ON;

Rehacare October 10-13, Dusseldorf, Germany;

PSport ON Inclusion Evening Nov 8 Steam Whistle;

■ 19thCDN Disability Hall of Fame Nov 29 Toronto ON;

29th ISS March 5-9, 2013 Nashville, TN.

BESPOKE PLUS helps to market and promote **RGK Wheelchairs**, **VARILITE**® Seating and Positioning Systems, **KENDA**, and **Ki Mobility** products, along with Spinergy, Glance, Frog Legs, Schwalbe, Sun, MBL, Natural Fit, Blax, and other great products. **Please give us a call or contact** the editor, Reg McClellan, if you have something that you think we should expound on.

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