

## **Equipment Loan Program**

### **Regional Loan Closet (RLC)**

ASCC has 12 Regional Loan Closets located around the state, one at our central office in Little Rock and one in each field office. The RLCs house durable medical equipment that can be loaned to ASCC clients for when they have an emergency or need a temporary piece of equipment until their permanent equipment is purchased or repaired. In addition, when available, a client may borrow a wheelchair or other equipment to see if it meets his or her need, or fits in their home or vehicle, before making a costly purchase. Sometimes equipment is needed temporarily after surgery or for a trip. The equipment is loaned for set period of time and the client is expected to contact the Case Manager when the equipment is no longer needed. All ERC equipment should be returned in the same condition as it was received.

Each RLC contains durable medical equipment such as manual and power wheelchairs, walkers, portable ramps, therapeutic cushions, adaptive bathroom equipment and ADL supplies such as reachers and skin inspection mirrors. While all RLCs have basic equipment, some have specialized equipment and supplies. Unfortunately, due to space and cost, a limited number of items are available, and the specific item or size needed may already be on loan.

If an ASCC client has an emergency or temporary need for equipment, contact your Case Manager immediately. The Case Manager will determine the availability of the needed equipment and if it is available, arrange for it to be delivered to or picked up by the client. All ASCC clients are eligible for these services, regardless of income.

The RLC is run on an extremely limited budget. While the agency is able to purchase some additional equipment each year, many of the wheelchairs made available for loan are those donated by individuals who no longer need them. If you have a manual or power wheelchair or other durable medical equipment (wheelchair, lift, ramp) in good working condition that you would like to donate to the Commission (a tax deductible donation), please contact your Case Manager or ASCC Central office at (501) 296-1788 to arrange for the donation.

We are unable to accept braces or other equipment that is custom fitted to individual, medical supplies that have been opened or items not frequently used by individuals with spinal cord disabilities.