WHEN LYMPHEDEMA IMPEDES SEATING & MOBILITY

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Many of the “bariatric” power systems we are asked to build are actually for consumers who have a diagnosis of lymphedema, lipedema or elephantiasis. Gaining a better understanding of these diagnoses, their progression and treatment can enhance the success of seating & mobility interventions. This session will provide basic information on the presentation and treatment of lymphedema as well as potential complications which should be considered in the seating & mobility assessment.

References

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Speaker Bio

Stephanie Tanguay began her career as an Occupational Therapist with a decade of experience in spinal cord injury and seating & mobility. She also worked as a Rehab Technology Supplier for seven years. She has presented on numerous occasions at the International Seating Symposium, RESNA, the Canadian Seating & Mobility Conference, the European Seating Symposium and throughout the U.S. and Canada. Since 2006 Stephanie has been the Clinical Education Specialist for Motion Concepts, a manufacturer of power seating systems and seat surface and back support products.