

Moving on from Wizzybug

This guide is for carers who might be considering the next powered mobility stage for their child after the return of Wizzybug.

You will need to agree on the next stage with your own local occupational therapist or physiotherapist. Your local wheelchair services will be able to either provide a powered wheelchair for your child or give you a voucher or payment towards your own choice if he/she meets their criteria.

If you are pursuing other options, here are some ideas to help you:

Exhibitions

We would really recommend the **Kidz to Adultz exhibitions**: www.kidzexhibitions.co.uk which offer you the opportunity to go and see powered wheelchairs in action. You may even be able to try a demonstration model out on the day.

Here are a few others you might like to consider attending:

The Big Event and One Big Day: www.motability.co.uk/news-views-and-events/one-big-day/

Naidex: www.naidex.co.uk

RISE 4 Disability: www.rise4disability.com

Independent Advice

The following organisations may be able to provide guidance and funding advice on purchasing a new wheelchair:

Brainwave: www.brainwave.org.uk

Cerebra: www.cerebra.org.uk

Contact: www.contact.org.uk

Disabled Living Foundation: www.dlf.org.uk

Motability: www.motability.co.uk

RiDC: www.ridc.org.uk

Whizz-Kidz: www.whizz-kidz.org.uk

Potential Funding

We recommend that you make contact with potential charity funders early as the process can take up to six months. You could also consider setting up online pages for sponsorship or crowdfunding.

The Boparan Charitable Trust: www.theboparancharitabletrust.com

Caudwell Children: www.caudwellchildren.com

Children Today: www.childrentoday.org.uk

Dreams Come True: www.dreamscometrue.uk.com

Family Fund: www.familyfund.org.uk

Hope for Children: www.hope-for-children.org

Joseph Patrick Trust: www.muscular dystrophyuk.org/get-the-right-care-and-support/equipment-grants/jpt-grants

Lifeline 4 Kids: www.lifeline4kids.org

Make-A-Wish: www.make-a-wish.org.uk

NewLife Foundation: www.newlifecharity.co.uk

React Charity: www.reactcharity.org

Strongbones Children's Charitable Trust: www.strongbones.org.uk

Variety, the Children's Charity: www.variety.org.uk

Whizz-Kidz: www.whizz-kidz.org.uk

Some powered wheelchair suppliers:



www.activateforkids.co.uk



www.dragonmobility.com



www.handicare.co.uk



www.invacare.co.uk



www.ottobock.co.uk



www.permobil.com



www.precisionrehab.co.uk



www.quantumrehab.co.uk



www.smart-wheelchairs.co.uk



www.sunrisemedical.com



www.tinytrax.com

We are here to support you:



Designability's occupational therapists are always happy to discuss any of your concerns, but please be aware that we may not have seen your child for several years. Your local therapist should always be your first point of contact.

Let us know your feedback: If there are any other useful resources that you feel are missing from this document, please let us know on info@designability.org.uk