

# MONTHLY HOME MODS CPD NEWSLETTER



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**W**elcome to the latest edition of our Home Mods CPD Newsletter! We're thrilled to be your go-to resource for all things related to home modification-specific CPD and training events across Australia. Our mission is to ensure you stay up-to-date and never miss out on any valuable opportunities!

Whether you're a seasoned home mods OT, new to the field, or simply curious about diving into the world of home mods, we're here to keep you in the loop with the latest chances to expand your knowledge and skills. Stay connected and informed with us as we provide you with invaluable insights and learning opportunities to support your professional growth in the dynamic domain of home modifications.



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## DESIGNING DEMENTIA FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENTS



**Limited spots available**

**Format:** Face-to-face

**Presenter:** Inclusive OT x MWP Care

**Date:** Wednesday 8th May 2024

**Time:** 9:00am - 11.30am and 1:00pm - 3:30pm

**Location:** MWP Care Head Office,  
3 Gondola Road, North Narrabeen, NSW 2101

This workshop is for occupational therapists interested in building their skills in designing and creating dementia friendly environments through the use of home modifications and assistive technology.

So if you are looking to enhance your skills in creating supportive and empowering living spaces for individuals with dementia, then this workshop is for you!

The workshop is ideal for new graduates, early career OTs and those more experienced OTs who want a refresher.

**Cost:**

\$71.50 Standard bookings

**Booking Link:**

Book your tickets [here](#).

## BATHROOM DESIGNS FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST'S



**Format:** Face-to-face

**Presenter:** Inclusive OT x Caroma Australia

**Date:** Friday 17th of May 2024

**Time:** 9:00am - 4:00pm

**Location:** Caroma Distribution Centre,  
GWA Bathrooms & Kitchens,  
1 Melito Court, Prestons, NSW 2170

After the success of last years event, we are bringing back this much anticipated workshop. This workshop is designed for occupational therapists who are eager to advance their foundational skills in bathroom modifications. It offers a unique opportunity for OT clinicians who strive to prescribe accessible bathrooms that are not only safe and functional but also aesthetically pleasing, accommodating limited budgets, personal styles, and preferences.

**Cost:**

\$355 Standard bookings

**Booking Link:**

Book your tickets [here](#).

## HOME MODIFICATIONS COURSE FOR OTS



**Format:** Live Online Course

**Presenter:** Access Institute

**Dates:** 2.5 Day course from Tuesday 7th - Thursday 9th May 2024

**Time:** 10:00am - 4:00pm (7th & 8th), 10:00am - 3:00pm (9th) (VIC time)

**Location:** Online via Zoom

The aim of the course for Occupational Therapists is to provide the basis for effective assessment of existing dwellings to identify requirements to improve access and liveability for occupants, particularly those with disabilities.

This course will provide attendees with the skills and knowledge required to provide advice on home modifications to achieve optimum access to existing buildings for people with disability. This advice is required in situations where regulatory compliance can be achieved as well as where compliance cannot be achieved due to pre-existing conditions.

**Cost:**

\$1500

**Booking Link:**

Book your tickets [here](#)

## WALK THROUGH OF AS 1428.1 (2021)



**Format:** Live Online Webinar

**Presenter:** Liz Ainsworth (Home Design For Living)

**Date:** Tuesday 7th May 2024

**Time:** 12:00pm - 1:30pm (QLD time)

**Location:** Online via Zoom

This live webinar will provide attendees with information about:

- The background to AS 1428.1 (2021). Design for access and mobility. Part 1: General requirements for access – New building work.
- The relevance and application of the standard to home modification practice
- Resources to draw upon when there are questions about the intent of the clauses and figures in the standard

**Cost:**

\$70

**Booking Link:**

Book your tickets [here](#)



## TEMPORARY MODIFICATIONS



**Format:** Live Online Webinar  
**Presenter:** Liz Ainsworth (Home Design For Living)  
**Date:** Wednesday 8th May 2024  
**Time:** 12:00pm - 1:30pm (QLD time)  
**Location:** Online via Zoom

This live webinar will provide attendees with information about:

- Temporary modification solutions for people in a range of circumstances – to assist those awaiting longer term modifications, to allow visitors with health conditions or disabilities to visit homes, to assist people with palliative conditions, to facilitate discharge from hospital, or to assist people who are renting.
- Contacts and resources for practice

**Cost:**

\$70

**Booking Link:**

Book your tickets [here](#)

## INTRODUCTION TO HOME MODIFICATIONS



**Format:** Live Online Workshop  
**Presenter:** Liz Ainsworth (Home Design For Living)  
**Date:** Monday 13th May 2024  
**Time:** 9:00am - 5:00pm (QLD time)  
**Location:** Online

This online workshop will provide attendees with information about:

- An understanding of current models of practice & application of clinical reasoning
- Information on the relevance and application of AS 1428.1 (2021) & on diagrams of interest in AS 1428.1 (2021)
- A review of measuring the person, their equipment, carer & the built environment
- A review of drawing to scale by hand and drawing apps
- Information on essential detail to include in OT reports
- Information on research and practice relating to grabrail prescription

**Cost:**

\$350

**Booking Link:**

Book your tickets [here](#)

## ADVANCED HOME MODIFICATIONS



**Format:** Live Online Workshop  
**Presenter:** Liz Ainsworth (Home Design For Living)  
**Date:** Wednesday 14th May 2024  
**Time:** 9:00am - 5:00pm (QLD time)  
**Location:** Online

This online workshop will provide attendees with information on:

- How to review products to determine their suitability for use in home modification practice
- The rights of a private home owner when modifying their own home
- An understanding of common barriers in the home, and the range of home modification solutions
- Solution options for a home using a case study

**Cost:**  
\$350

**Booking Link:**  
Book your tickets [here](#)

## COMPLEX HOME MODIFICATIONS



**Format:** Live Online Workshop  
**Presenter:** Liz Ainsworth (Home Design For Living)  
**Date:** Monday 20th May 2024  
**Time:** 9:00am - 5:00pm (QLD time)  
**Location:** Online

This online workshop will provide attendees with information about:

- Examples of factors that make home modifications complex
- Basic principles for planning home modifications
- Legislation, code, and standard issues impacting on planning
- Technical considerations when modifying areas around the home
- Typical barriers and solutions
- Resources for practice

**Cost:**  
\$350

**Booking Link:**  
Book your tickets [here](#)

## PART 1 - OVERVIEW OF THE 4 RAMP TYPES IN AS 1428.1 (2021)



**Format:** Live Online Webinar

**Presenter:** Liz Ainsworth (Home Design For Living)

**Date:** Wednesday 22nd May 2024

**Time:** 12:00pm - 1:30pm (QLD time)

**Location:** Online via Zoom

This live webinar will provide attendees with information about:

- The four different types of ramps described in AS 1428.1 (2021)
- When to use AS 1428.1 (2021) for ramps that need to be installed inside and outside of people's homes
- Typical barriers and solutions
- Resources to assist practice

**Cost:**

\$70

**Booking Link:**

Book your tickets [here](#)

## WRITING A GUIDANCE DOCUMENT - GENERAL OVERVIEW



**Format:** Live Online Webinar

**Presenter:** Liz Ainsworth (Home Design For Living)

**Date:** Tuesday 23rd May 2024

**Time:** 12:00pm - 1:30pm (QLD time)

**Location:** Online via Zoom

This live webinar will provide attendees with information about:

- The intent of a guidance document and how it differs from a scope of works and specification
- The essential items to include in a guidance document
- Hints and tips for writing a guidance document to suit the needs of the building services professional
- Example wording for minor and major modifications to complement concept drawings and photos.
- Resources for practice

**Cost:** \$70

**Booking Link:**

Book your tickets [here](#)



## GETTING IT RIGHT: GRABRAIL PRESCRIPTION



**Format:** Live Online Webinar

**Presenter:** Liz Ainsworth (Home Design For Living)

**Date:** Monday 27th May 2024

**Time:** 12:00pm - 1:30pm (QLD time)

**Location:** Online via Zoom

This live webinar will provide attendees with information about:

- Factors influencing the selection of grabrails
- The importance of tailoring grabrail selection and installation to suit individual's requirements
- Relevance & application of AS 1428.1 (2021) to grabrail prescription in homes
- The latest research relating to grabrails provided in bathrooms and toilets
- Product options and their application, and resources for practice

**Cost:** \$70

**Booking Link:**

Book your tickets [here](#)

## PART 2 - 3D MODEL SHOWCASE OF A RAMP & STAIRS IN AS 1428.1 (2021)



**Format:** Live Online Webinar

**Presenter:** Liz Ainsworth (Home Design For Living)

**Date:** Tuesday 28th May 2024

**Time:** 12:00pm - 1:30pm (QLD time)

**Location:** Online via Zoom

This live webinar will showcase the features of a large ramp and stairs using 3D modelling to better understand the dimensions for their features described in the standard.

**Cost:**

\$70

**Booking Link:**

Book your tickets [here](#)

## COMPLEX SEATING AT & THE NDIS



**Format:** On Demand Webinar  
**Presenter:** Verve OT x Elissa (Total Rehab)  
**Date:** Webinar is on demand & can be completed at anytime  
**Time:** Webinar length - 2 hours  
**Location:** Online

This session has been designed for those who are keen to augment their skills in the AT application process that surrounds seating assessments, specifically complex seating, postural and pressure considerations and how to effectively address the NDIS 'reasonable & necessary' criteria for features and recommended components. Included will be some resources to aid in clinical justification of features and the evidence based, best practice recommendations which underpin complex seating prescription.

**Cost:**

\$105

**Booking Link:**

Click [here](#) to purchase

## BARRIERS TO HOME MODIFICATIONS



**Format:** Pre-recorded Online Webinar  
**Presenter:** Angie Contreras  
**Time:** 30 minutes  
**Location:** Online - Inclusive OT website  
**Hosted By:** Inclusive OT

This webinar will provide you with an increased awareness of the main barriers to home modifications and what you can do to address them. It is important to develop an understanding of these barriers to recognise challenges that may arise and ways to overcome them. It will also allow for clients, caregivers and occupational therapists to collaborate together to develop realistic, effective and safe recommendations.

**Cost:**

Free

**Webinar Link:**

[HERE](#)



## FREE HOME MODS RESOURCES



The Home Modification Information Clearinghouse (HMinfo), established in 2002, is an information service that collates, reviews and creates the evidence base for best practice in modification of the home environment to support people with self care, participation and autonomy.

[Evidence Based Practice Papers: HERE](#)

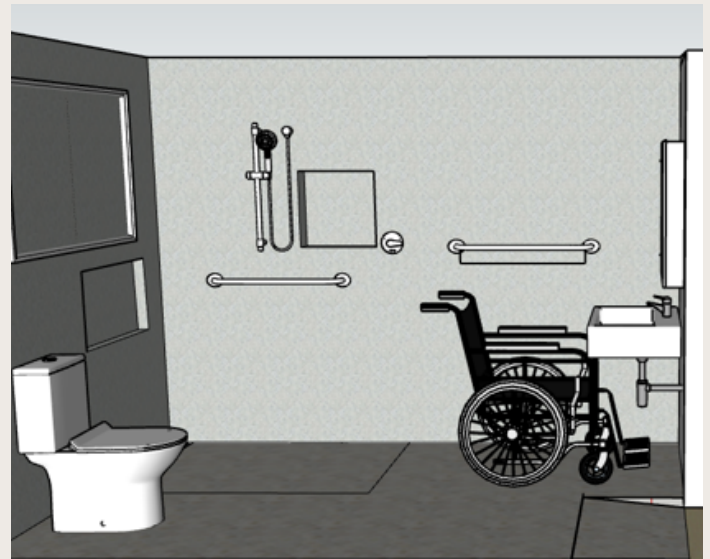
[Industry Factsheets and Checklists: HERE](#)

[Summary Bulletins: HERE](#)

**FOR INFORMATION ON HOME MODS  
LEGISLATION, STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES,  
CLICK THE IMAGE BELOW:**



## SKETCHUP FOR OTS



**Format: Online Drop in Sessions**

**Presenter: Angie Contreras**

**Time: 30 minutes**

**Location: Tuesday via Zoom, once a month**

**Hosted By: Inclusive OT**

This intro session is designed for OTs interested in knowing how to use this effective 3D software in your daily practice.

You will learn to navigate the main features and explore the possibilities through case studies including bathroom, kitchen and access modifications.

This taster class is for the curious Home Mods OT who wants to spruce up their toolkit and create impressive 3D sketches to communicate well with clients, builders and funding bodies

**Cost:**

**Free**

**Booking link:**

**Book your spot [here](#)**