Standers

When considering a stander, it is best to talk with your child's occupational therapist **(OT)** or physical therapist **(PT).** They will know what type and size of the equipment is best, and will work with a certified rehabilitation technology supplier **(CRTS)**, preferably one who is also an assistive technology professional **(ATP)**.

Below are local companies that are CRTS and ATP certified. They can work with you and your child's therapist to select the correct piece of Durable Medical Equipment **(DME):**

- National Seating and Mobility (Phone: 716-674-0783)
- Monroe Wheelchair (Phone: 315-445-2220)
- CNY Medical Products (Phone: 315-428-9945)

The main categories of standers include sit-to-stand, mobile, prone, and supine standers. It is important to discuss features of the stander with both the PT/OT who fits your child along with the ATP who will know what features are available with certain brands. Unlike wheelchairs which will get approved consistently every five years, standers tend to be more difficult to get covered, but it is not impossible. Before insurance will consider covering a stander, a trial must be completed either at home, in clinic or a school setting to prove that your child is successful in that piece of equipment. Your therapist will also want to "rule out" other less costly/ more simple standing frames if requesting a complex standing frame.

One way to get that trial here in Central New York is by using equipment provided by the TRAID program. The TRAID program is a loan closet program run locally through Access CNY. It is a perfect way to try a piece of equipment without having to buy it first. The Syracuse TRAID program has a large selection of equipment. If interested, the director of the program, William Hnatko, can be reached at 315-410-3336.

Following are just some examples of standing frames. Please use this a reference to search the websites listed to see other options available.

Mobile Stander



EasyStand Bantam



Symmetry Youth



www.rifton.com

- Requires good head control and upper body strength
- Child positioned in standing, self- propels via large wheels in the standing position.
- Comes in 4 different sizes
- Min user height is 25 inches
- Max user height 65 inches
- More challenging to obtain through insurance due to limited growth between each size

www.easystand.com

- Comes in three different sizes
- Min user height 26 inches
- Max user height 5 feet 6 inches tall
- Max user height 200 pounds
- Transitions from sit to stand, stand to supine
- Front is open making transfers easy, especially from a ceiling tract or lift
- Multiple adjustments can be made to accommodate moderate to maximal positioning needs
- Independent adjustable knee supports
 <u>www.primeengineering.com</u>
- Swivel seat option
- Open seating for ease of transfers
- For children 3 feet 6 inches to 5 feet 6 inches
- Max user weight 200 pounds
- Multiple accessories available for moderate positioning needs
- Independent adjustable knee supports

Superstand



KidStand IIIMSS



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- Prone, supine or upright standing options
- Supine grows from 26-48 inches
- Prone grows from 30-50 inches
- Max user weight of Superstand is 125 pounds, Superstand youth is 150 pounds
- Multiple accessories available for moderate to maximal positioning needs

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- "Strap stand" style frame
- No transfers required, strap placed underneath bottom while seated and raised into standing
- Perfect for children requiring a heavy assist for transfers
- Min user height 3 feet
- Max user height 4 feet 8 inches
- Max user weight 250 pounds
- Would require good head and trunk control
- Difficult to properly position children with leg length discrepancies, pelvic obliquities and challenging foot positions