# The POWER of Seating: Improving Lives Through Power Seat Functions

### Length: 2 Hours

### **Description:**

Power seating functions (PSF) provide clients with a variety of different opportunities to independently change their position in space. These functions provide functional, medical, and social benefits. The participant will gain an understanding of the clinical application of power seating functions including tilt, recline, adjustable seat height, elevating, etc.

#### **Objectives:**

- 1. Verbalize three potential benefits of recommending power seating function on power wheelchairs.
- 2. List at least three power seating functions and justification for recommending each.
- 3. Describe three options for accessing power seating functions.

## Instructional Level: Intermediate

Credits: 2.0 CCU / 0.2 CEU TPTA approval pending TOTA approval pending

#### **Presenter:**

## Linda Bollinger, DPT

Linda Bollinger joined the Sunrise Medical team in the fall of 2018 as a Clinical Education Manager. She has a BS-MS in physical therapy from Long Island University, Brooklyn. In May 2018, she earned her DPT from Utica College. In addition, she received her ATP certification in 2000.

Prior to joining the Sunrise Medical team, Linda was the Director of Rehabilitation at Long Island Select Healthcare (formerly UCP Suffolk). Her experience at UCP included developing and operating a seating and mobility clinic for individuals with disabilities. Although this clinic primarily served developmentally disabled children and adults, the patients included individuals with acquired disabilities, as well. Prior to joining UCP, Linda had successfully created a pediatric seating clinic at a local school for disabled students. Linda has shared her knowledge and experience running seating clinics at local community health events, guest lectures with local physical therapy and occupational therapy university programs, and most recently as a Teacher's Assistant at Touro Physical Therapy program.

Linda is excited to bring her experience providing seating and mobility services to her new role at Sunrise Medical by providing education and training to therapists, ATPs and the community.