



The Role of The Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association

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IMNDA – Who we are



- The IMNDA was established in May 1985 by a small group of friends, relatives and carers of people living with MND
- We have developed specialist, individualised services that reflect the needs of the Irish MND community
- Our ethos is to ensure rapid access to these vital services for all of our clients regardless of their location or means

Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association



- Primary support organisation and provider of services for people living with Motor Neurone Disease in Ireland.
- Objective is to ease the burden on those diagnosed, by providing practical & prompt information, assistance and support.

IMNDA Services



- MND Nurses
- Equipment Loan Bank
- Home Care Grant
- Counselling
- Provision of Information
- Advocacy
- Telephone Helpline
- Annual Conference/Patient & Carer Weekend

Equipment Loan Bank



Facilitates care at home, dignity,
independence and enhanced quality of life

- Free of charge
- No waiting list
- No medical card required
- Equipment unavailable through HSE or excessive waiting times
- Equipment re-cycled when no longer required by initial user

Types of Equipment



- Communication Aids
- Suction Machines
- Environmental Controls
- Wheelchairs – Powered & Manual
- Specialist Beds & Mattresses
- Specialist Collars
- Stairlifts
- Shower Chairs/Commodes
- Riser Recliner Chairs
- Hoists
- Portable Ramps

How to Access Services



- Contact Services Team in IMNDA Office
- Check Equipment Availability/Possibility of Purchase
- Requisite Form
- Equipment Delivered

Requisite Form



Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association
Coleraine House, Coleraine Street, Dublin 7
01 873 0422

Date: 01/11/2012

Requested for (Patient)

Requested by (OT, S<, CN)

Name Patrick Murphy

Name Mary Smith

signature

Address Main Street
Clones
Co Monaghan

Address Speech & Language Therapist
Clones
Co Monaghan

Phone

Phone/Fax/email msmith@hse.ie

Equipment details

SL40 Lightwriter

IMNDA Office Use Only

Client ID 08031

Equipment ID 2651

Order Details

Item identified in IMNDA Stores.

Equipment/Service supplied by

IMNDA

Home Care Grant



- Top Up Service
- Direct Payment to families
- Assists with payment for private care
- Provides respite for primary carer (generally spouse)
- Funding for night nursing at end of life

Home Care Grant



- Payment made to 28% of clients
- Payments represent over 30% of IMNDA Annual Expenditure

	2009	2012
Amount spent	€406,981	€500,860
HSE Grant received	€26,000	€16,920

Counselling



Funding for 6 sessions of counselling for person with MND and a family member/carer

Freefone Helpline

Telephone helpline which is operational during office hours Monday-Friday. Available to anyone with a question/concern about MND

Annual Conference



- Weekend Away
- Talks on practical issues & research updates
- Opportunity for those with MND & their carers to meet and talk to others in their own situation
- Social aspect

Other Services



- Information
 - Website = www.imnda.ie.
 - Newsletter = Connect Magazine
 - Personal Guide to Motor Neurone Disease
 - In house library = Books, magazines, DVDs.
- Advocacy and Lobbying
 - Medical card access, Funding
 - Improved access to services (home care, home adaptations grant etc.).

How IMNDA is Funded



- HSE & Government Grants 16%
- Donations and Fundraising 84%

Based on 2012 Figures

Thank you for your time.



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