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supports and services  
THAT FOSTER self-determination.

# UDAT Lunch & Learn

**Environmental Adaptions and Accessibility**  
**Specialized Medical Equipment**  
**Assistive Technology**  
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# The Definitions

## EAA

Those physical adaptations required by the ISP, which are necessary to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the individual, or which enable the individual to function with greater independence in the community and, without which, the individual would require institutionalization. Such adaptations may include the installation of ramps and grab-bars, widening of doorways, modification of bathroom facilities, or installation of specialized electric and plumbing systems which are necessary to accommodate the medical equipment and supplies which are necessary for the welfare of the individual, but shall exclude adaptations or improvements to the home which are not of direct medical or remedial benefit to the waiver individual, such as carpeting, roof repair, central air conditioning, etc. Adaptations that add to the total square footage of the home are excluded from this benefit except when necessary to complete an adaptation. Adaptations may be approved for living arrangements (houses, apartments, etc.) where the individual lives, owned or leased by the individual, their family or legal guardian. These modifications can be to the individual's home or vehicle.

Home accessibility adaptations may not be furnished to adapt living arrangements that are owned or leased by providers of waiver services.

## SME

SME includes devices, controls, or appliances, specified in the support plan, which enable individuals to increase their abilities to perform ADL's, or to perceive, control, or communicate with the environment in which they live. Includes items necessary for life support; ancillary supplies and equipment necessary for the proper functioning of such items; durable and non-durable medical equipment and supplies; and equipment repairs when the equipment, supplies and repairs are not covered under the Medicaid State Durable Medical Equipment (DME) plan. Incontinence supplies are included. Incontinence supplies for children and youth ages 4 through 20 with disabilities or special health care needs are covered under MO HealthNet through the EPSDT program. Incontinence supplies for participants 21 and over are covered through MO HealthNet Exceptions process, excluding participants of the Community Support, Comprehensive or Partnership for Hope Waivers. Items reimbursed with waiver funds shall be in addition to any medical equipment and supplies furnished under the state plan and shall exclude those items which are not of direct medical or remedial benefit to the individual. All items shall meet applicable standards of manufacture, design and installation.

## AT

"Assistive technology" means a device, product system, or engineered solution whether acquired commercially, modified, or customized that addresses an individual's needs and outcomes identified in his or her individual service plan. The service is for the direct benefit of the individual in maintaining or improving independence, functional capabilities, vocational skills, or community involvement. Remote monitoring will assist the individual to fully integrate into the community, participate in community activities, and avoid isolation.

# Service Comparisons

EAA	SME	AT
<p>Modifies a individual's home, living environment or vehicle for accessibility based on principles of Universal Design.</p>	<p>Supports Activities or Daily Living and Instrumental Activities of Daily Living through equipment and supplies.</p>	<p>Supports individuals to gain and/or maintain independence in their home, community, employment, and transportation.</p>
<p>Requires a therapist evaluation</p>		<p>Is available for a professional consultation Requires Risk Assessment</p>
<p>Evaluations available through telehealth. Evaluations part of service</p>	<p>Evaluations available through telehealth</p>	<p>Consultations part of service  Includes Remote Supports</p>
<p>\$7,500 annual cap</p>	<p>\$7,500 annual cap</p>	<p>\$9,000 annual cap</p>

# Resources

- 👤 Waiver Manual:  
[http://manuals.momed.com/collections/collection\\_dmh/print.pdf](http://manuals.momed.com/collections/collection_dmh/print.pdf)
- 👤 MO HealthNet Specialized Medical Equipment & Supplies: <https://dmh.mo.gov/media/pdf/mo-healthnet-specialized-medical-equipment-supplies>
- 👤 SC Manual Section H Medicaid and Waivers: <https://dmh.mo.gov/dev-disabilities/manuals/support-coordination>

# Resources

## DMH-DD Website Pages

 [Planning and ISP development tools and resources](#)

 [Technology First](#)

## Durable Medical Equipment Manual page 219 and Section 19:

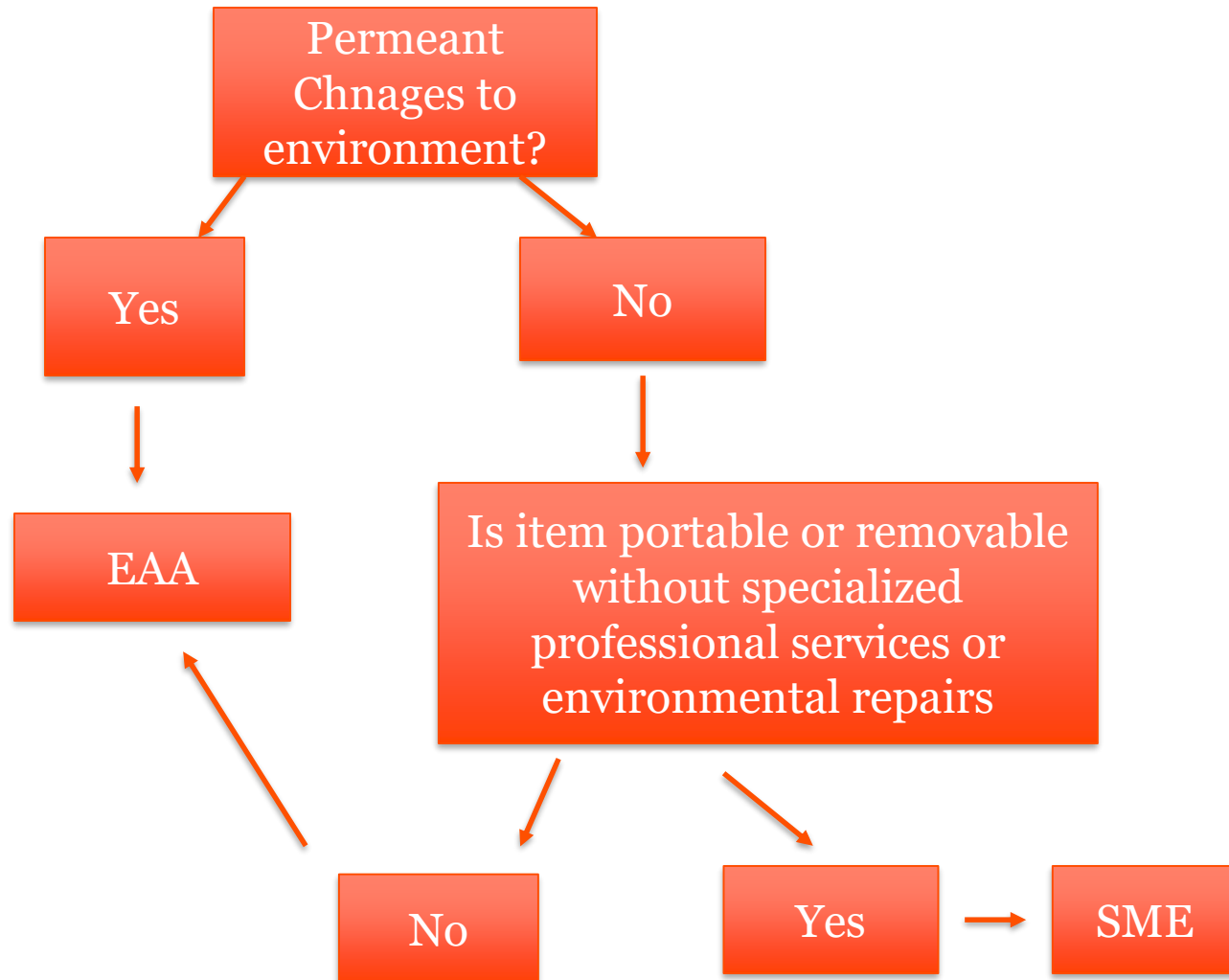
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- SME
  - Incontinence support
  - Car Seats
  - Standers
- EAA
  - Bathroom Modifications
  - Widening Doorways
  - Lower cabinets
- AT
  - Communication Devices
  - Medication Administration Systems
  - Applications

# Items for additional Planning





# Quick start Guide!

## Durable Medical Equipment Manual

Not covered	Available under waiver
Adaptive Toys	SME
Bathtub Rails	Use decision tree
Environmental Control Systems	AT
Standers	SME
Electric Bathtub Lifts	Use decision tree
Medical Alert Systems	AT
Stair Lifts or Glides	EAA
Vehicle and Home Modifications	EAA
Wheelchair Ramps	Use decision tree
Standers	SME

# Quick start Guide!

- 👤 Specialized Medical Equipment & Supplies
  - 👤 Available in the SC Manual Section H page 2
    - 🏠 Four charts
      - 👤 One for all ages
      - 👤 One for under the age of 21
      - 👤 One for over the age of 21
      - 👤 Available under the Waiver SME service
  - 🏠 These charts provide examples the services available through State Plan and DMH-DD Waivers

# Funding Options

- 👤 Remember the waiver is the payer of last resort!
- 👤 Utilization of the Manuals to provide guidance
- 👤 When there is a big project; the whole project must be completed before billing can occur

# Funding Options

## SB-40 Boards

-  Some have additional funds or grants

## Local Community Organizations

-  VFW

-  Churches

-  Independent Living Centers

-  Fraternity/Sorority Service Projects

-  Don't Be Afraid to get creative and try to ask new sources

# Thank you

- 👤 Next Lunch and Learn will be June 14 2022 at Noon
- 👤 Be on the look out for more learning opportunities from UDAT