

**Patient Details**

<p><b>Title</b> .....</p> <p><b>Surname</b> .....</p> <p><b>Forenames</b> .....</p> <p><b>CHI No.</b>.....</p> <p><b>Address</b> .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Postcode</b> .....</p> <p><b>Tel. No</b> .....</p> <p>Contact Person (if appropriate) .....</p> <p>Relationship to patient.....</p> <p>Tel. No .....</p>	<p><b>Patient Diagnosis / Disability</b> .....</p> <p><b>Reasons for referral</b> .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
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**Referrer Details**

<b>Referrer</b> .....	<b>Tel. No</b> .....
<b>Title</b> .....	<b>Email</b> .....

**GP Details**

**Social Work/Community OT Details**

<p><b>Name</b> .....</p> <p><b>Address</b> .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Postcode</b> .....</p> <p><b>Tel. No</b> .....</p>	<p><b>Name</b> .....</p> <p><b>Role</b> .....</p> <p><b>Address</b> .....</p> <p><b>Postcode</b> .....</p> <p><b>Tel. No</b> .....</p> <p><b>Email</b> .....</p>
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WestMARC TMP.038.003	<b>Environmental Controls Referral</b>	Type: WestMARC Environmental Controls Service
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## **Service provided by WestMARC**

Environmental control equipment, as supplied by the National Health Service, enables very severely disabled people, who would otherwise be unable to do so, to exercise control over electrical equipment, such as an emergency alarm, an intercom system, an electronic door lock, telephone, table lamp, and television. The equipment may be operated by a range of switches that suit the user's residual function. Use of the equipment enables the patient to recover a measure of independence, can reduce care requirements, and can delay or prevent permanent admission to a care setting. Supply of the equipment may also make it feasible to discharge home a patient who would otherwise have to remain in hospital.

Environmental control equipment may be supplied to people who are permanently disabled by disease, injury or congenital defect to the extent that they are unable to perform such functions as answering the front door or switching a light or a heater or television on and off. They must also -

- a) Have the ability and will to use the equipment;
- b) Require the facilities of the equipment and be unable to be helped by simpler or cheaper equipment which may be available from another source (e.g. local authority social work department)

The connection of the environmental control equipment to a wide range of other devices (e.g. door openers, curtain openers, page turners and microcomputers) may be considered. However these devices are not supplied by the environmental control service.

Upon receipt of the application, the Co-ordinator or Clinical Assessor will arrange assessment of the patient's eligibility, and if appropriate, subsequent supply of the equipment.

## **Social Services responsibilities**

- The funding and supply of modifications to the home which are required to accommodate the environmental control equipment. This includes the provision of an electrician and joiner to assist the contractor.
- Arranging for a telephone landline.
- Funding of door openers, curtain/blind openers, and page-turners. (These are provided at the discretion of Social Services)