



**Richmond VAMC  
Assistive Technology  
Electronic Aids to Daily Living**

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

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**QUALIFICATIONS: Electronic Aids to Daily Living (EADL)**

EADLs may be considered for issuance to any Veteran who exhibits the loss of use of a body part or function which limits their ability to perform activities of daily living independently or decreases their personal safety. The prescribed equipment must be of a nature that specifically compensates for their loss of use, meets their goals for independence and increases their safety.

**All of the following additional specific indications must be met:**

- A. Comprehensive EADL evaluation by the Assistive Technology (AT) Program including the following:
  - 1. Education on the EADL evaluation and ordering process,
  - 2. Definition of Veteran's goals that EADLs can help meet,
  - 3. Demonstrate EADL options that could help meet the Veteran's goals.
- B. Complete equipment trials for EADL devices defined during the initial AT evaluation.
- C. Evidence the selected device meets Veteran's goals is documented.
- D. Veteran demonstrates safety and effectiveness when using the selected device.

**PROCESS:**

- 1. Veteran identifies interest in requesting EADL.
- 2. Veteran's primary care physician places assistive technology consult.
- 3. Veteran attends initial AT evaluation and receives education regarding the program.
- 4. Veteran will complete pre-outcome measures if appropriate.
- 5. Veteran trials various equipment to determine the most appropriate option.
- 6. Occupational Therapist and/or Rehab Engineer and Veteran determine the final recommendations for EADL equipment.
- 7. Equipment approval process:
  - 1. Occupational Therapist or AT rehabilitation engineer completes necessary paperwork including assessment and if applicable a quote from an appropriate vendor.
  - 2. Paperwork is turned into the Prosthetics Service.
  - 3. Prosthetics has 7 days to complete the consult.
- 8. Prosthetics normally takes 2-4weeks to collect 3 competitive bids for the EADL installation.
- 9. Vendor installs the EADL in the Veteran's home, provides training to Veteran and caregiver(s), and provides ongoing support.
- 10. Veteran will participate in CVT to the home (telehealth services) if they have the required equipment and consent to participate.
- 11. Veteran will complete post-outcome measures.

