

Information for Occupational Therapists and Support Coordinators



Clinical, functional and funding information to support confident recommendations.

Where Automated Hygiene Fits in Care Planning

Automated in bed hygiene systems occupy a specific and increasingly well defined place in the continuum of continence care. They are indicated for clients who are fully or predominantly bed bound, who have significant skin integrity risks, and where manual handling is a documented burden on carers.

The CareBidet® is one of the most established devices in this category and is used across home, aged care, palliative and hospital settings.



Client Indication Profile

- **Mobility:** Bed bound or requiring full assist transfers.
- **Skin:** History or active risk of IAD, pressure injury, or moisture associated damage.
- **Neurological and progressive conditions:** Parkinson's disease, MND, stroke, advanced dementia, spinal injury.
- **Care burden:** High manual handling load, limited carer availability, or overnight coverage gaps.
- **Palliative and complex care:** Where dignity, comfort and skin preservation are primary goals.

Functional and Clinical Considerations

Domain	Consideration	Outcome Supported
Skin integrity	Real water cleansing and warm air drying	Reduced IAD and pressure injury risk
Manual handling	Removes need for repeated log rolls and pad changes	Lower carer injury risk
Dignity	Discreet, bed based, no soiled pads	Improved psychosocial wellbeing
Continence goals	Consistent management day and night	Better sleep, fewer UTIs reported

Funding Pathways in Australia

- **NDIS:** Assistive Technology categories relevant to personal care, continence and manual handling risk mitigation.
- **Home Care Packages:** Level 3 and 4 clients frequently qualify under continence and equipment provisions.
- **Aged Care Facility Procurement:** Direct facility purchase or rental agreements.
- **Private or self funded:** 2 week trial available before commitment.

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