

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY DELIVERY SYSTEMS IN REHABILITATION - effectivity of delivery

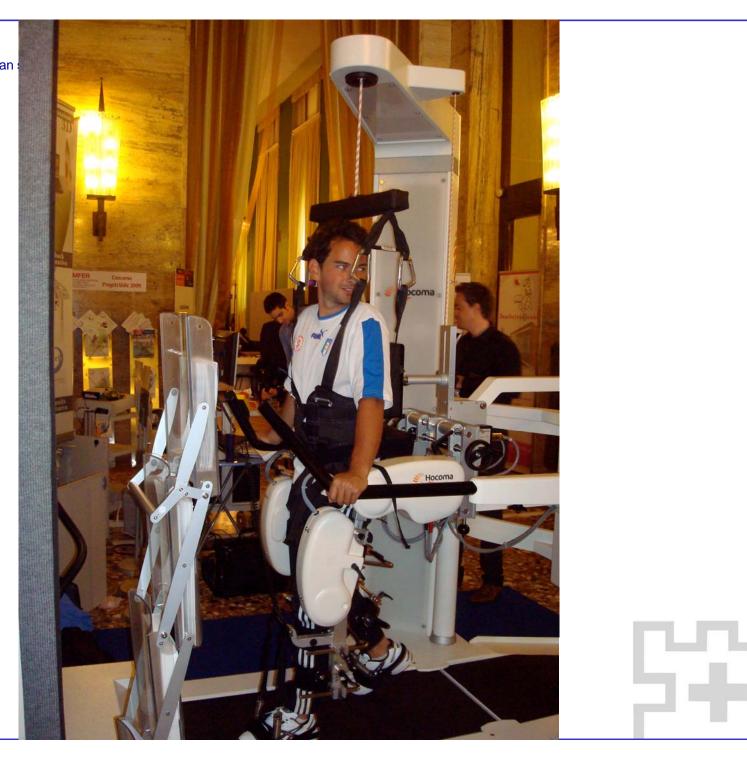
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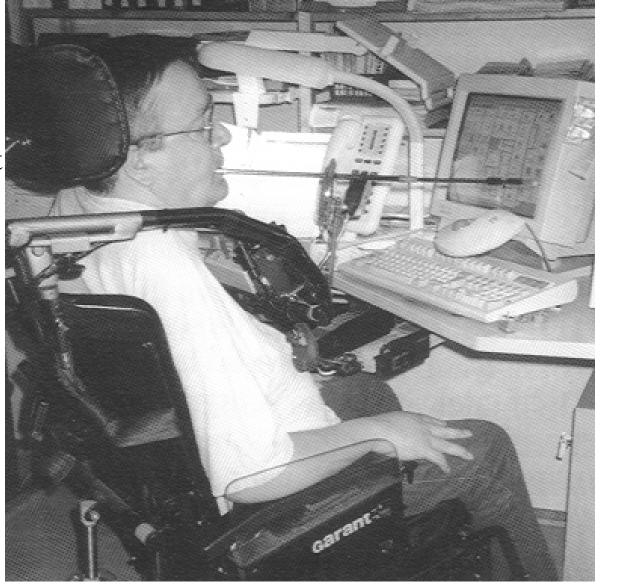


New devices





Controlling environment





Independent life



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Kuvassa Elektroninen kaasukehä ja mekaaninen jar



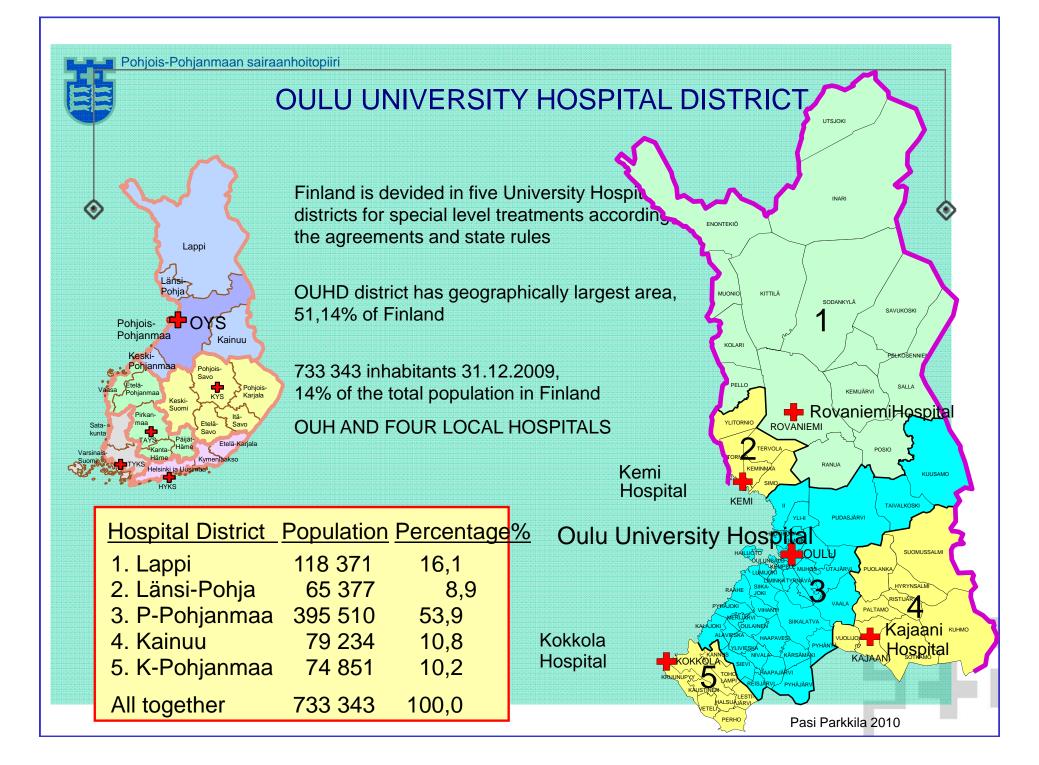


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CASE NORTHERN FINLAND: Oulu University Hospital Northern Ostrobotnia District



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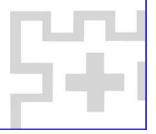
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Large 51,3% area, but only 13% of population

- Quite small population, sparcely inhabited
- In northern Finland distances are very long
- Logistic problems
- In winter time with a lot of snow
- And sometimes very cold
- ...but we are used to it...



Areal Rehabilitation AT Centre



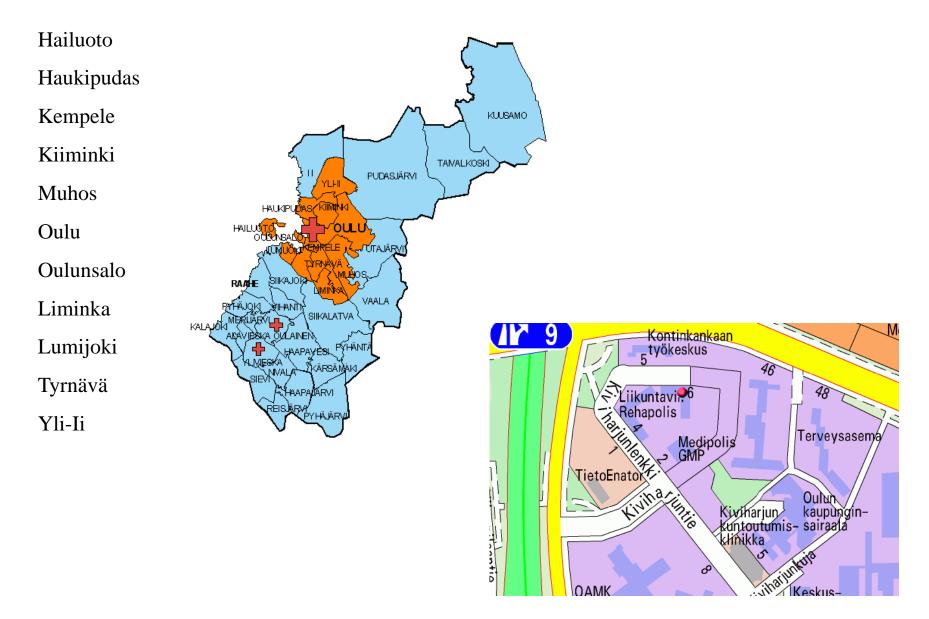


Oulu University Hospital



Population 230 000 inhabitants

Total OUH 370 000 inh



Who in responsible of the costs and delivery of assistive technology?

- financing of AT consists of too many channels

HEALTH CARE

Health care centres

- Moving and ADL basic AT

Special Hospitals

- expensive and demanding AT
- hearing, vision ja communication, demanding AT
- breath, demanding AT

Schools

- AT at scool for learning

Social office in cities

- According to the law for handicapped people AT changes at home

Social Insurance Company

 AT for severily handicapped in studying and working aged

Insurance Companies

- Traffic and other accidents

- Also taken care in public hospitals

State office

- accidents at war and accidents
- and diseases at working places
- for example war invalid AT

Occupational health systems

- AT for handicapped at work





How to control the costs and manage the effectiveness?

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The main principles of our task



- Our task is to produce rehabilitation and equipment delivery for the special health care and health care of the local cities, on-line registry and to teach and make scientific studies for developing AT delivery systems.
- Quality, effectivity and cost effectiveness of the delivery we follow to maintain and increase the patients functioning and activities of daily living.
- We coordinate in the Oulu University Hospital district the rehabilitation AT delivery and participate national and international workshops

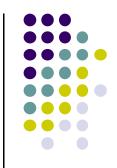
Special Health Care AT Services

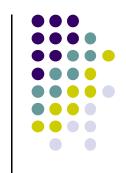
- 6000 new referrals/year to areal AT Centre
- Electrical movement equipments: eWheelchair, moped AT Centre
- Environmental control AT Centre
- demanding equipment for visual handicapped /Visual AT Centre
- Demanding equipment for breath AT Centre
- Electrical movement equipment for children and ADL AT Centre
- Evaluation of the first and special prosthesis for amputated person PRM, Childrens Hospital and AT Centre
- Testing and first use of new equipments: communicating national authorities and other AT Centres
- AT immediately combined with treatment and operation
 PRM AT Centre and special clinics
- Communication Centre Audiology AT Centre

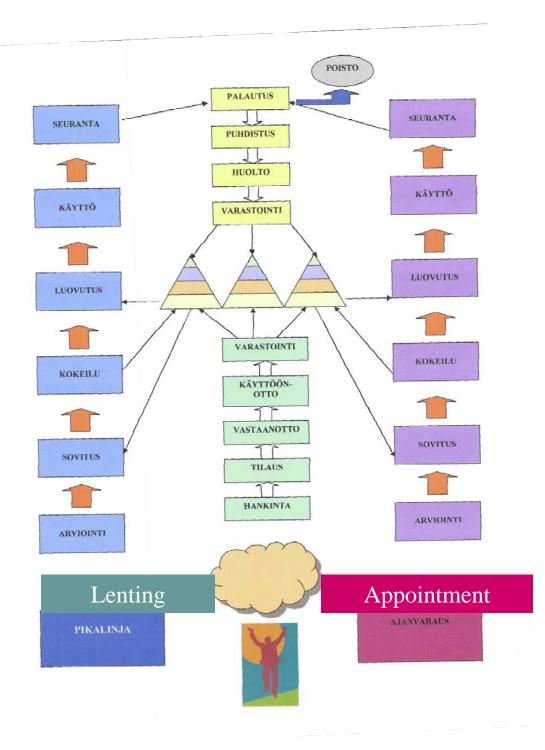


Health Care Centres AT

- Movement and ADL basic equipmenrt Walking sticks, canes, rollators
 - Manual wheelcairs, bikes
 - Beds and matresses
 - Toiletseats and elevations
 - ADL AT
 - Orthosis
 - Small chances at home
 - Basic AT for poor eyesight









Evaluation, fitting, testing, release, use, follow-up, service

Evaluation of the need and selection of A

Multidisciplinary evalution

- patient and relatives,
- rehabilitation and nursing specialists
- AT and tecnical specialists
- Environmental changes
- 30 workers
 - 18 therapists
 - Part-time PRM specialist
 - 6 service workers
 - 5 others



The Health Care Law and Statute of AT Delivery in Finland



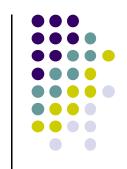
1§ principles for the delivery

- Medically diagnosed/regocnised disease, trauma, handicap, which debilitates functioning and aggravates independent life.
- To support, maintain or improve functioning in ADL
- 2§ evaluation of the needs
 - Evaluation based on individual needs, user-specific, just-ontime
 - To regognize the function, life situation and environment Decisions with agreement of the patient

3§ started 1.1.2012

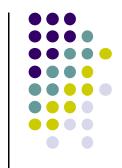
Rehabilitation principles for AT

- AT is only one part of the rehabilitation process and care
- Rehabilitation-, care- or health plan listed
- Total responsibility for care is in health care system: Health centres, hospitals, others
 - Not in AT centre



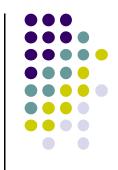
Evaluation of the AT needs

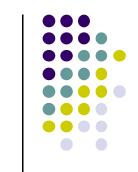
- Personal functioning and extra help
- Motivation of the person
- Knowledge of the daily life and functioning
- Knowledge of the surroundings
- Knowledge of the AT:s, their possibilities and use



Recommendations must include

- Functioning of the patient
 - Moving, vision, hearing, cognition
 - Musculoskeletal abnormalities
 - ADL and extra help
 - AT aids used previously
- ADL and surroundings
 - Family and living
 - Work/pension/a.s.o.
 - AT needs of surroundings: Possibilities and security





Recommendations must include

- Patients and surroundings
 - Motivation for use of AT
 - AT independent use or extra help
 - Alcohol/drug abuse, if exists

Recommendations for the evaluation

- The guidelines criteria must be full
- Evaluation is done in Areal AT Centre before the delivery by PT:s and/or PRM specialist
- Usually only one same piece is delivered
- Two pieces need separate decision



Decision of rehabitation AT aids in AT Aids Centre

- PRM-doctors are responcible of the decisions
 - AT-decision is medical decision for the patient
 - Areal agreements and guidelines are in internet
- Individual AT delivery for the patients
 - Physiotherapists can decide under 3000€
 AT:s according to the guidelines

Rehabilitation AT Aids Guidelines



- Hospitals and cities have an agreement of the work and responcibility
- The guidelines have been used since 2005 in Northern Ostrobotnia District
- Updated in 2009 ja 2011 and can be seen in Internet
- Common criteria for evaluation of the AT delivery are one part of the public guidelines of health care

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AT Delivery Principles in Oulu University Hospital District in Northern Finland

- www.ppshp.fi
- Medical Rehabilitation unit
- AT Delivery Services Centre
- AT Delivery Principles

THANK YOU!

