

MND Victoria own 3 Obi Feeding Devices.

Obi is a first of its kind, revolutionary dining device for individuals who lack upper extremity function. Obi increases independence, social interaction, and effective food capture.

Obi gives diners:

- the option to choose the food they wish to eat
- the freedom to eat at their own pace
- the ability to interact with others while dining
- a newfound sense of confidence, dignity, and independence

## Meet Obi - The Robotic Dining Companion

### Process

As we currently only have three Obis in our loan library, if you are wishing to request an Obi Feeding Device for your client, please contact MND Vic Equipment Service (ph. 03 9830 2122) to investigate if an Obi is available for loan.

If there is one available – please follow the Equipment Service procedures for Allied Health Professionals requesting equipment on our website or click on the link below.

### [Equipment Service procedures for AHP](#)

Please note:

1. Prioritisation and allocation of equipment requests  
Equipment requests are prioritised according to urgency which is determined on advice from the requesting AHP and MND Advisor.
2. The Obi Feeding Device will be sent to the Health Professional and not directly to the client.  
It is important for the Health Professional to set up and educate the client, and carers on the use, and care of the Obi Feeding Device
3. Instruction in use of equipment  
Instruction in the use of the equipment is the responsibility of the requesting AHP. It is expected that this will be arranged at the time the equipment is prescribed and completed at the time of delivery. Where the requesting AHP has arranged for a local AHP to provide training – please provide all contact details in the online Equipment Request Form so all associated AHP's can be advised when dispatch is arranged.
4. Clients moving to Residential Aged Care Facilities (RACF)  
Clients moving into a Commonwealth Government funded or privately funded Residential Aged Care Facility (RACF) may take some equipment they currently have with them. However, this does not include the Obi Feeding Device. This must be returned to MNDV prior to relocating into a RACF.  
For equipment required to be provided by a RACF under the Aged Care Act 1997 see Part 3 section 3.1 - 3.6. Further information can be found also in the Quality-of-Care Principles 2014.

Please click on the link below regarding setup, maintenance, and use.

### [How to Use Obi](#)

Should you have any questions or enquiries, please contact the Equipment Service team at MND Vic.

MND Vic Equipment service is open Monday – Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm

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