



Pacific Rehab Foundation

Delivering Complex Rehab Solutions to the Pacific

Aims

To provide Complex Rehabilitation knowledge, training, equipment, and advice to the peoples of Fiji and the Pacific.

To work with agencies on the ground in the Pacific to identify those to whom the provision of Complex Rehab equipment, training and support would allow access to not only their immediate environment, but also their village, education and employment.

Work with the Spinal Injuries Association of Fiji and others to identify persons who are aspirational in themselves and with the aid of tailored packages become inspirational to their community.



“By donating specialised product you can change lives.”

Your donation will allow those with a disability to become an inspiring story of success.

Pressure Injury in the Pacific

Whilst we started with the idea of mobility, we were very soon confronted by the major issue of Pressure Injury mortality.

The stories and the empirical data that does exist suggest that a stage II—IV Pressure Injury is a two year death sentence unless there is intervention with, knowledge, training and assistive equipment.

Whilst we continue to work with Mobility, it is our work in education and provision of equipment that has the biggest impact.

In our first year we have provided over \$FJ500,000 in specialised mobility, seating and positioning product together with hands on training.

Help us to change lives

- Donations of equipment
- Training packages
- Specialised mobility systems
- Seating & positioning
- Pressure Injury prevention



How can you help us?

In our privileged societies we have a dearth of equipment sitting around and not helping people.

Whether that is as used complex equipment that can be reconditioned, Trial and Demo product that has been depreciated, or superseded by newer models.

With the funding available there is no second hand market, nor is dropping discounted product into a small market good business sense.

It is this product we can apply our learned skills to, and create world class results for people only used to very basic outcomes.

By donating the specialised product we can reach aspirational persons with a disability allowing them to reach out into their community and play a role in helping others and becoming an inspiration to others.

Typically—this is the way bulk donations from overseas charities are received in Fiji. A container of standard chairs and parts. These play a vital part in getting Fiji disabled moving, but do not address all the issues

In NZ and Australia there are many agencies and funding that meets the needs of our compatriots, but not so in the Pacific.

The gold standard within rehab in NZ is always to assist our clients to interface with their environment.

We want to take these skills and vision and use these to better the lives of those less fortunate.

We are taking our knowledge and training to the frontline staff of SIA and their volunteers.

Using our global contacts we are also supplying the specialised equipment that makes the difference in the lives of many Fijians. It is the combination of knowledge and specialised equipment that can make real improvements in not only mobility but also ultimately survival.



SIA VISION

The Spinal Injury Association of Fiji envisions persons with spinal injury and disability living in a barrier free society, playing a participatory role in all levels of society and contributing to national development.

SIA has made great strides and this has only been made possible through their strategic partners such as PhysioNet UK, Vodafone Fiji, LDS and Australia's DFAT; and the dedication, commitment and sacrifice of the SIA's incredible staff and volunteers who are so committed to helping disabled and disadvantaged people throughout Fiji.



The Spinal Injuries Association of Fiji

The Spinal Injury Association of Fiji (SIA) was formed in 1993 by a group of people with spinal injuries who saw the need for a support organisation to assist those with spinal injuries and other conditions with limited access to proper treatment and services.

SIA has become the leading voice for the discussion and advancement of issues that benefit its hundreds of members across Fiji.

The services and products delivered by the SIA are in demand not only by individuals but also special schools, hospitals and clinics throughout Fiji.

Through their proactive approach the SIA has successfully sourced many essential items, such as multipurpose hydraulic beds, assistive devices, wheelchairs and medical supplies not readily available to its recipients.



SIA is a non-government organization registered 1993 under the Charitable Trust Act Cap 67, Registration No. 355.

Introducing Milika Rawakolo



Milika is a 23 year old young lady. Milika lives with her parents who are both not working, they look after Milika and all her daily needs. Milika has a basic transit wheelchair, which as you can see from the picture is far to big for her and offers her no independent function whatsoever.

Daily life for the family is challenging with no easy access to the home and family bathroom conditions far removed from our comfortable western standards.



Access to Milika's home



Milika's bathroom

Do you have spare Demo /Trial product or equipment that needs a good home?

Pressure Injuries & Seating

Pressure Injuries are a major concern in all developing regions.

One of our first projects is working on the seating and pressure injury aspects of the existing equipment in place and provide a higher level of protection and function in these systems currently being used.

We will also provide free education and training to empower local providers and end users alike with the knowledge to improve pressure care and positioning for function.



Contact Us

Give us a call or email us, to discuss how you can help.

Your generous donation can assist us to improve the lives of many.

All types of equipment considered and gratefully received.

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