

Evacusafe UK CASE STUDY



"We have been running wheelchair skills training for young wheelchair users since 1990; training designed to enable independence and to help ensure that the young people are able to reach their full potential."

"We chose Evacusafe because the products are good quality and robust. We needed a piece of equipment that was reliable and simple to use."

Emily Ellington, Mobility Trainer



Client

Go Kids Go run workshops for manual and powered wheelchair users, healthcare students and professionals. The workshops for younger wheelchair users, aim to increase participant's independence and confidence by teaching them key wheelchair skills.

As part of these workshops, they cover topics such as emergency evacuation, especially looking at a variety of techniques to safely evacuate from a building in the unlikely risk of an emergency.

Challenge

Often the children they work with are unfamiliar and nervous when seeing an evacuation chair for the first time. They don't know what to expect and it's the team's job to demonstrate just how easy and simple an evacuation chair is to use. The workshops provide the children a controlled environment to see the chair in action and gain the all important experience of being in the chair.

The evacuation chair is also used in their professional workshops, which are aimed at raising general awareness of the type of evacuation products available.

Result

The use of the chair in the workshops helps prepare the children for possible emergency situations they may face during their education and beyond. In particular, it helps those children moving from primary to secondary school who are more likely to encounter stairs during their school day as these are often multi-storey facilities.

It helps the children understand the risks and enables them to develop their belief of facing up to and overcoming the challenges ahead.

Next Steps

With the new chairs, Go Kids Go plan to further expand its delivery of this vital evacuation section of the workshop to more children across the UK and Ireland.

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