Our Capabilities

1. Consultation Services - includes the provision of:
   - Quality housing needs assessments or home modification recommendations
   - Medico legal assessments detailing a person's current and future housing and home modification requirements
   - Advice on the requirements of the Disability (Access to Premises - Buildings) Standard and the intent of the Disability Discrimination Act
   - Advice on the requirements for a Livable Housing design.

Specific services include:

- An occupational therapy assessment to establish the individual's housing/home modification needs
- Advice on design, construction and product requirements to suit the person and the household’s needs
- Advice on the suitability of homes to be purchased and then modified to suit the person, their equipment and carer’s requirements
- Creation of a detailed design brief to inform builders, designers or architects of design/construction requirements to incorporate into the home modification/new home design
- Advice on the suitability of new home or proposed home modification designs developed, and a review of plans to check the fit of the person, their equipment and carer with the proposed layout
- A site inspection of the property prior to purchase to check the suitability of the home and to discuss proposed modifications that may be required
- A site inspection at frame up stage or just before handover of a newly constructed property to check the plans against the built environment
- A post occupancy or post modification evaluation to ensure the design/modification has addressed the person's needs that may have been identified at the time of assessment.
- An assessment of plans and the built environment for Class 1 buildings for Livable Housing certification; an assessment of equipment to enable people to better manage around the home and in the community.

2. Education - includes:
   - Equipping occupational therapists, builders, architects, and building designers with information about the access, housing and home modification requirements of older people and people with a disability
   - Providing students and clinicians with the most up to date information on theory, research and practice through the provision of lectures, workshops and conference papers
   - Providing general talks to community groups on issues relating to older people and people with a disability

3. Information and Advice - includes:
   - Assisting people to choose the most cost effective and useful products or designs for their home modification or new construction design
   - Advising on suitable housing to rent or purchase to meet current and future needs
   - Providing information about appropriate access to public buildings and facilities; and the requirements of Livable Housing for Class 1 building design and construction.

Credentials and Accreditation

- Occupational Therapist - Registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency
- Member of Occupational Therapy Australia
- Accredited and Qualified Access Consultant
- Member of the Australian Access Consultants Association
- Member of Australian Rehabilitation and Assistive Technology Association
- Associate Member Australian Lawyers Alliance
- Associate Member Q Shelter
- Livable Housing Assessor
- Provider – National Disability Insurance Scheme

Insurance, Policies and Procedures

Staff possess:

- Professional Indemnity Insurance
- a White Card (visiting a construction site)