



New AmTryke Surveys For Parents and Therapists

These days, outcomes are very important to non-profits and in health care. AMBUCS, with the help of the OT department at Winston-Salem State University has just completed two new surveys to help collect data about the use of AmTrykes. Please help us with this data collection effort. If you are a therapist who uses AmTrykes, please fill out the following survey: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Q83FMGM> .If you have clients who received AmTrykes, please send the follow link to their parents and ask them to complete this survey: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Q2LSQPH>

Mark Your Calendar



December 8
OATC Oklahoma
Conference
Norman, OK

January 10– 12
APTA Pediatrics
Conference
Orlando, FL

February 17-20
APTA - Combined
Sections Meeting
Rodeo
San Diego, CA

April 29-May 2
AOTA National
Conference
Orlando, FL

June 27– 30, 2010
Spina Bifida Annual
Conference

Visit [www.ambucs.org/
upcoming-events/](http://www.ambucs.org/upcoming-events/)
for more information about
each of these events.

NEW ONLINE DEMO-SITE DIRECTORY

Check out our new AmTryke demo-site directory at:
<http://www.ambucs.org/demo-sites/>

New features include a searchable, live database. You can even add a picture from your demo-site to the directory!

If you are an AmTryke demo-site please check your listing and send us any additions/corrections. Please contact **Dannell Copeland** at **1-800-838-1845 ext 15** or via email at **Dannell@ambucs.org**.



AMTRYKE RESEARCH STUDY UPDATES

The University of the Pacific in Stockton, CA is beginning a new research study focusing on the effects of AmTryke therapeutic tricycles. In addition, Quinnipiac University completed an AmTryke-related research project involving children with spastic diplegia and hopes to have their results published in an academic journal very shortly. You can view other AmTryke-related research studies by visiting:
<http://www.ambucs.org/amtryke-research-summaries/>

Get On The Road Trip Schedule For 2010

Representatives of AMBUCS are preparing to travel the country once again to spread the word about the AmTryke program. As part of their trip, they plan to present a number of in-service programs for local therapists. AMBUCS reps can also offer a 4-hour continuing education course. Local therapists will be able to invite their clients to these events for fittings, evaluations and test riding on the latest models of AmTrykes. Representatives plan to be in Florida in January 2010, Southern California in February, Texas in March, the Mid-Atlantic region in April, and the New England region in May. If you would like the AMBUCS reps to visit your area in 2010 please contact Roxanne Nichols at 1-888-AMTRYKE or via email at roxannen@ambucs.org.



NEW AMTRYKE PACKAGING POLICY

Please note that AmTryke, LLC will now provide customized packaging, where just the specific parts needed for each rider will be included in the order shipment. Less standardized trikes mean fewer extra parts to be shipped and lower costs. For more information please contact Jeff Roig at 1-888-AMTRYKE or jeffr@ambucs.org

AmTryke "Feel Good" Stories!

Looking for inspirational tales and heart-warming testimonies about how the AmTryke therapeutic tricycle has made a profound difference in someone's life? Well now as a new feature on www.ambucs.org, we have collected a number of AmTryke "feel good" stories and have posted them on our site for the whole world to see. You can view these stories and photos at <http://www.ambucs.org/inspirational-amtryke-stories/>



Satisfied Customers

“ Thank you so much for the AmTryke given to our daughter Rebecca. With this new trike,

Becca can now be included in more activities with her siblings, Peter and Samantha. The three of them had a great time riding around the block together. This trike brings us a lot of joy. It is great to see her doing something that a "normal" child does.

- The Jensen family ”

“ Once again, my husband and I want you to know how truly

grateful we are for what you have done for our son. For many people it is just a bike, but to us it means a whole new world of happiness for our son. He's a motivated, cheerful and loving young boy who everyone adores. We hope that with this new bike, he will be able to compete in future Special Olympics cycling events when he is old enough.

- The Lasky family ”

Have a special AmTryke story that you'd like to share? Send it to AMBUCS via e-mail at ambucs@ambucs.org or mail it to AMBUCS, PO Box 5127, High Point NC, 27262, Attn: AmTryke Newsletter.

New Product Catalog

AmTryke, LLC is preparing to publish a new product catalog at the beginning of 2010, featuring all of our new trike models and accessories.



Once again, the catalog will be full-colored and easy to read. Right now, you can view our current AmTryke catalog by visiting: <http://www.ambucs.org/new-redirectorpage-8>

New AmTryke Instructional Videos

Currently on the ambucs.org home-page you can view a new instructional video on benefits and features of the AM-12 and AM-16 models. This video is part of a new series that will address proper assembly and fitting techniques for various AmTryke models and accessories.



Starting An AMBUCS™ Friends Chapter

If you've had a difficult time getting an AmTryke for a patient, child or loved one in your area, you should consider starting a new Friends chapter of AMBUCS. Friends memberships are a time-effective way for you to be involved with the best in community service! You can choose your own level of contribution to support a wide variety of AMBUCS service programs. Even with a small group of people, you can quickly form a new Friends chapter and make an immediate impact. And now, to help jumpstart your AmTryke donation efforts, we are offering a "10 for 10" incentive plan in which the national AMBUCS organization will match the first 10 AmTrykes purchased by any new Friends chapter .

For more information on the starting an AMBUCS Friends Chapter or to apply on-line, please visit our web site at <http://www.ambucs.org/friends-of-ambucs/>



NEW ADULT MODEL AMTRYKES ARE HERE

New "1424" Model



The **AmTryke 1424** model is a new adult hand-powered tricycle, featuring 24-inch wheels, a foot platform and a padded wheel-chair seat for extra support and ease of transfer. This three-speed tricycle is based on the ProSeries 1420 frame.

New "HP 1000" Model



The **HP-1000** is the first recumbent model by AmTryke. This hand-powered cycle was developed specifically for Spina bifida patients and riders with paralysis whose legs cannot rotate. It comes with seven speeds, auto steering center, comfortable leg/foot stirrups, nylon mesh seat and locking brake levers for easy transfer of rider.

PERSONALIZE YOUR OWN WISH LIST CAMPAIGN

The **AmTryke Wish List** gives individuals with disabilities an opportunity to ride their own therapeutic tricycle, even if they or their families don't have the financial means to purchase it themselves. AMBUCS members and good Samaritans from all over the country are able to view the wish list and make an instant donation via our online donation page towards an specific individuals' trike purchase. Donors can also mail contributions directly to Every Kid Needs A Bike, P.O. Box 5127, High Point, NC 27262. **Families and therapists can also create their own fundraising campaigns by visiting www.active.com/donate/amtryke and selecting the "become a fundraiser" link on the top red page header.** Then, you will be able to promote your perspective rider's need and track the donations they receive. Once the required amount has been raised, the requested AmTryke and accessories will be promptly sent to the individual on the wish list. For more information, contact Dannel Copeland at 1-800-838-1845 ext. 15.



Wish List Overview

If someone is recommended for an AmTryke by a therapist, but they are financially unable to purchase the trike, that individual will be placed on the AmTryke Wish List. In order to be placed on the Wish List, the AMBUCS Resource Center must receive a completed request form, an assessment form signed by the therapist or doctor, and a waiver signed by the individual or their guardians. All forms and applications regarding the AmTryke therapeutic tricycle are available on-line at www.ambucs.com/amtryke-wish-list-required-documents. For more information, visit www.ambucs.org/amtryke-wish-list/

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