

## Referral to Victorian Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) Community Rehabilitation Service

The Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) Community Rehabilitation program provides a specialist service to people with a severe brain injury and their carers from the Victorian community. We also provide secondary consultation, education and advice to service providers working with people who have an acquired brain injury.

For additional referral and service information -

<https://www.alfredhealth.org.au/services/hp/acquired-brain-injury-community-rehabilitation/>

### Eligibility Requirements

Review and check our eligibility criteria before completing a referral

- ☐ Client has a **moderate to severe acquired brain injury** of non-progressive pathology
- ☐ Client is 18 years or over
- ☐ Client must be medically stable and should have a GP willing to provide medical support (in consultation with a rehabilitation specialist available through our program).
- ☐ Client's rehabilitation goals or carer's needs **cannot be met by another public funded community service** (eg. local Community Rehabilitation Centre)
- ☐ Client will have potential to benefit from interdisciplinary intervention, by two or more Allied Health disciplines, to improve function, decrease disability, decrease level of care/ caregiver burden

### NOT eligible if:

- ☐ Primary reason for referral is **return to work only**.
- ☐ Primary reason for referral is **behaviour management only**.
- ☐ Medico legal assessment and report (e.g., revoking Administration Order, testamentary capacity)
- ☐ Referral for home modifications, equipment prescription, services or case management for clients recently discharged from another service or funding body (e.g. NDIS)
- ☐ Requires only medical and/or single Allied Health discipline intervention

### We also accept referrals for:

- ☐ Clients who need periodic review (monitoring) in the community to establish a plan of care to prevent complications and/or monitor for potential for rehabilitation (e.g., clients with Disorder of Consciousness)
- ☐ Local service providers requesting support to transition client to local services that may not have ABI expertise, (eg, provision of specialist and expert secondary consultation, education and advice to these services)

### REFERRAL PROCESSING

Our Intake Triage Team operates Monday to Friday 08:30am to 4:30pm, excluding public holidays.  
All referrals will be processed within 7 business days of receipt.

### CONTACT US

For any queries, contact our service during business hours, Monday to Friday 8:30AM to 4:30PM (excluding public holidays): 9076 7423

Send Referrals to: E: [abicomunity&tls@alfred.org.au](mailto:abicomunity&tls@alfred.org.au) or F: 9076 4841 – Attn: ABI Community Team

## REFERRAL DETAILS

Date of referral		Referring organisation		Ward	
Address					
Referrers name		Relationship to Client			
Telephone		Email		Referring service UR No.	

## CLIENT DETAILS

Family name			Given name/s & preferred name		
Date of birth			Sex	<input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Address					Postcode
Telephone			Email		
Preferred contact method		<input type="checkbox"/> Telephone call <input type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/> SMS			
Medicare number			Ref	Expiry	
Funding body <i>If applicable, eg, NDIS, TAC</i>	Coordinator name			Telephone	
	Claim number				
Permanent Australian resident	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Language/s spoken			
Interpreter required	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Interpreter language required			
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Torres Strait Islander not Aboriginal		<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal not Torres Strait Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer		
Medical Treatment Decision Maker (MTDM)	Name		Relationship		Telephone
Guardian	Name		Relationship		Telephone
Administrator	Name		Relationship		Telephone
Enduring Power of Attorney (EPOA)	Name		Relationship		Telephone
	Type	<input type="checkbox"/> Financial / Legal <input type="checkbox"/> Personal			
Primary contact	Name		Relationship		Telephone
Is the client / family aware of referral	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Comments			
GP name				GP telephone	
GP address				GP fax	
Current inpatient / community rehabilitation admission details					
Discharge destination			Discharge date		

## ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY & CURRENT HEALTH STATUS

Reason for referral	<input type="checkbox"/> Active therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> Consulting <input type="checkbox"/> NDIS service provision			

**ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY & CURRENT HEALTH STATUS *cont***

<b>Disciplines required</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Work <input type="checkbox"/> Speech Pathologist <input type="checkbox"/> Dietitian <input type="checkbox"/> Community Nursing				<input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Therapist <input type="checkbox"/> Exercise Physiologist <input type="checkbox"/> Neuropsychologist		<input type="checkbox"/> Clinical Psychologist <input type="checkbox"/> Allied Health Assistant <input type="checkbox"/> Physiotherapist	
<b>Type of brain injury</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Traumatic		<input type="checkbox"/> Hypoxic		<input type="checkbox"/> Stroke		<input type="checkbox"/> Substance related ( <i>includes alcohol</i> )	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other non-traumatic brain dysfunction							
<b>Details</b>  <i>How and when did the brain injury occur? Include severity indicators as appropriate (eg, PTA, downtime etc)</i>								
<b>Medical history; Mental health history &amp; current; Seizure history</b>								
<b>Drug / alcohol / smoking history</b>								
<b>History of behavioural / forensic issues</b>								
<b>Current medications</b> (or add separate list)								
<b>Any related risks identified</b>								
<b>Allergies</b>								

**PREMORBID FUNCTION & SOCIAL HISTORY**

<b>Lives with</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Alone <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse / partner <input type="checkbox"/> Children <input type="checkbox"/> Parents <input type="checkbox"/> Friends			
<b>Psychosocial</b>	Family / other support _____			
<b>Accommodation</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Private owned residence <input type="checkbox"/> Private rental <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless <input type="checkbox"/> Supported residential service <input type="checkbox"/> Residential care <input type="checkbox"/> Boarding house <input type="checkbox"/> Shared supported accommodation <input type="checkbox"/> Housing commission <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>specify</i> ) _____			
<b>Premorbid Personal ADL</b>  <i>ie personal care / domestic / community access / driving / cognition / mobility / vocational / study / volunteering / leisure &amp; recreation</i>				

**CURRENT FUNCTION LEVEL & CARE NEEDS**

<b>Cognition</b>  <i>(memory / attention / executive function / insight)</i>			
<b>Visual / Perception</b>  <i>(visual field deficits / neglect / dyspraxia)</i>			
<b>Language</b>  <i>(Expression / comprehension / social interaction / aids / strategies)</i>			
<b>Hearing</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NAD <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing aid <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>specify</i> ) _____		
<b>Nutrition</b>  <i>(Malnutrition risk, obesity)</i>			
<b>Diet</b>  <i>(modified / enteral nutrition)</i>			
<b>Upper limb function / lower limb function / weight bearing restriction etc</b>			
<b>Transfers</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Supervised <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Person Assist <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Person Assist <input type="checkbox"/> Hoist		
<b>Ambulation / mobility</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Supervised <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Person Assist <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Person Assist <input type="checkbox"/> Hoist		
<b>Aids (<i>specify</i>)</b>			
<b>Current functional performance</b>	Self care	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Supervised <input type="checkbox"/> Requires Assistance	
	Domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Supervised <input type="checkbox"/> Requires Assistance	
	Community	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Supervised <input type="checkbox"/> Requires Assistance	
	Vocational	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Supervised <input type="checkbox"/> Requires Assistance	
<b>Continence</b>	Bladder	<input type="checkbox"/> Continent <input type="checkbox"/> Incontinent <input type="checkbox"/> Indwelling Catheter <input type="checkbox"/> Uridome <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>specify</i> ) _____	
	Bowel	<input type="checkbox"/> Continent <input type="checkbox"/> Incontinent <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>specify</i> ) _____	
<b>Current behaviour / support strategies</b>			

**REFERRAL GOALS**

<p><b>Short term goals for active therapy</b></p> <p><u>OR</u></p> <p><b>Objectives for monitoring</b></p>	
<p><b>Long term goals and objectives</b></p>	
<p><b>Other referrals made / support services involved (CRP / NDIS)</b></p>	
<p><b>Other important details</b></p>	
<p><b>Attached documents</b></p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Discharge Summary <input type="checkbox"/> Neuropsychological Report <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Reports
	<input type="checkbox"/> Discipline assessments
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other