

Service Name	Alfred Health Community Rehabilitation Program	
Brief Description of Service	<p>Alfred Health Community Rehabilitation Program provides goal directed rehabilitation for clients following a change in their functional status. The primary focus is an interdisciplinary team approach towards agreed treatment goals.</p> <p>Sessions may be in the client's home, local community or in our rehabilitation centre located at Caulfield Hospital. Group and/or individual sessions may be offered depending on clients' clinical need. Groups offered encompass: hip and knee rehabilitation, upper limb rehabilitation, aquatic physiotherapy, community access, public transport, balance/mobility, Memory, Stroke Wise, Fatigue and communication training.</p> <p>Community Rehabilitation operates with 4 teams: Caulfield Home-based, Caulfield Centre-based, South Melbourne Home-based, South Melbourne Centre-based. The Community rehabilitation team is determined from the client's geographical location and predominant need for clinical setting (i.e. home vs centre) at the time of referral.</p>	
Location of Service	Based within the Ashley Ricketson Centre at Caulfield Hospital	
Service Hours	Monday to Friday between 8:30am – 5:00pm.	
Catchment Area Refer to catchment maps	Caulfield catchment (LGA's) -Glen Eira -Stonnington (eastern side) -Bayside (north of South Rd)	South Melbourne catchment (LGA's) -Melbourne (southern area) -Port Phillip -Stonnington (western side)
	*Out of catchment referrals from Alfred Health to facilitate discharge from hospital to be discussed with the Operations Lead	
Referral Sources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GP / Medical <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health Professional (e.g. nurse, physiotherapist) Referrals from external hospitals (e.g. Monash) require a medical discharge summary	
Compensable Clients	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TAC – in consultation with the manager <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Workcover – in consultation with the manager <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DVA – in consultation with the manager Note that private health insurance rebates are not available <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NDIS – Check with relevant Team Leader <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 3 and 4 Home Care Packages – Check with relevant Team Leader	
RACF's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RACF's – to be discussed with the Operations Lead 	
Client Age	18 years and over	
Eligibility Criteria	<p>OVERALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have had an acute illness, injury, surgery, or an exacerbation of a chronic condition resulting in a change in function that is expected to benefit from an episode of rehabilitation. • Goals for realistic functional improvement with rehabilitation episodes should be able to be identified. • Must be willing and able to actively participate in rehabilitation (medically, physically, cognitively, and psychosocially). • Must be medically stable and should have a GP willing to provide medical support. • Individuals living independently with care supports (Home care packages) • Individuals being discharged from Alfred Health rehabilitation wards identified by the treating team as requiring further rehabilitation (>4 sessions). 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will accept cardiac or pulmonary diagnoses as appropriate however should be offered cardiac or pulmonary rehabilitation by preference if appropriate. • <i>Please complete “Safety Assessment for Community Visit” form to determine if home visits can be completed, otherwise only centre based appointments can be provided.</i> <p>HOME BASED SERVICES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Must have identified rehabilitation needs which are best or can only be achieved with management predominantly provided in the client’s home environment</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E.g. The client needs to be in their own environment / local community / specific context to learn and implement skills / strategies (communication / cognitive / physical) that will improve participation in their daily life. • The client will have difficulty transferring skills / strategies learnt in other contexts into function. • Must have suitable home environment for the provision of therapy (e.g. completion of OT home assessment where indicated, risks including behaviours of concern, violence/aggression, history of drug /alcohol use of client/family/support persons, manual handling risk to staff and accommodation risks must be satisfactorily managed). • Unable to access the centre due to health, physical and / or environmental limitations (e.g. fatigue, goals of accessing the community to allow attendance at the centre). <p>CENTRE BASED SERVICES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have rehabilitation needs which are best achieved with management predominantly provided in a centre based facility. • Must be willing and safe to travel into the centre and are able to mobilise (includes wheelchair mobility) sufficiently to access the centre (50 metres). • Clients are required to provide their own transport however assistance with taxi costs can be negotiated on an individual basis if there are no other transport options.
<p>Exclusion Criteria Alternative service options for referral are specified</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clients who are on inpatient programs need to be discussed with the Manager (including those supporting clients in their homes such as HITH, Transition Care Programs and Better at Home). • Referrals requiring monitoring or maintenance (consider referral onto community health services including activity groups). • Individuals who require an occasional session of therapy (<4 sessions) post hospital discharge to check safety concerns or equipment (consider referring to PAC or Alfred MATS allied health). • Referrals for home modifications or equipment prescription in isolation (consider referring to Community Health Services). • Referrals for return to work without associated rehabilitation needs. • Individuals presenting with single issues with little activity limitations who likely require one on one, cubicle based treatment only i.e. no gym based management (consider community health services). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ e.g. 33 y.o. with # or soft tissue injury (such as wrist/shoulder/ankle) or isolated voice impairment and no other issues or disciplines required. <p>versus individuals with more complex co-morbidities and multiple conditions with goals for intervention who may benefit from Community Rehab. e.g. 32 y.o. with # wrist/shoulder/ankle with a history of falls post stroke with mobility, personal care, cognitive and language goals.</p>

Priority of Access Urgent Referrals Routine Referrals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response Time • Criteria 			
		Urgent	Routine
	Target response time	Initial assessment completed within 24-48 business hours	Initial assessment completed within 7 business days
	Criteria	At risk of readmission or deterioration if not seen promptly	All other clients
	Note: Alfred Health hospital discharges are to be prioritised		
Fees	Home Based sessions: There are no fees for these sessions Centre Based sessions: \$10.00 for all individual and group sessions, capped at \$20/week There is the possibility of waiving fees if this will facilitate a client accessing the service		
Contact Person For queries	Caulfield Centre Based Team Leader ext: 66119 or mobile 0429 694 021 South Melbourne Centre Based Team Leader ext: 67230 or mobile 0409 436 379 Caulfield Home Based Team Leader ext: 66477 or mobile 0499 856 562 South Melbourne Home Based Team Leader ext: 66231 or mobile 0410 346 509 Alfred Health Community Rehabilitation Program Manager ext: 66223 or mob: 0419 577 123 Operations Lead: 0419 770 237		
Appointment Process	Appointments are booked by the service.		