## REFERRAL GUIDELINES

## Neurological Rehabilitation Clinic

Head of Unit: Dr Nathan Johns

Referrals: For faxed referrals, use the ACCESS referral form to 9784 2309

## Clinic overview:

We care for patients who have a neurological impairment including:

- Acquired Brain Injury (ABI)
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Guillain-Barre Syndrome
- Post-polio syndrome
- · Progressive neurological disorders
- Neuropathies
- Cerebral palsy

And with rehabilitation medicine needs including issues related to

- Mobility
- Cognition
- Communication
- Functional independence
- Sexuality

Clinic Rehabilitation Physicians:

Dr Daniela Pasagic

Dr James Ting

## **Clinic location: Golf links Road**

## **Categories for Appointment**

|                       | Clinical Description        | Timeframe for Appt |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Category 1<br>Urgent  | New neurological impairment | 4-6 weeks          |
| Category 2<br>Routine | Reviews                     | 3 months           |
| Emergency             |                             |                    |

## IMPORTANT:

The following referral information is mandatory:

#### Referral:

- Date of referral
- Speciality
- Referring practitioner name
- Provider Number
- Referrer's signature

## **Patient Demographic:**

- Full name
- Date of birth
- Postal address
- Contact numbers
- Medicare Number

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- Duration of symptoms
- Management to date
- Past medical history
- Current medications
- Allergies
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## **Eligibility Criteria**

Patients must live within Peninsula Health catchment area Clear rehabilitation goals

Chronic or progressive neurological conditions with functional decline and rehabilitation goals

### **Exclusions**

Unclear diagnosis / need for further investigations (refer to neurologist)

Dementia (CDAMS)

Parkinson's disease (Movement disorders clinic)

Age < 16

Age > 65 (GEM clinics)

## **Alternative referral options**

## Minimum Referral Information Required

Please note, referral cannot be processed if minimum information is missing)

- Referring practitioner name, provider number and signature.
- Date of referral
- Patient's name, address, date of birth, Medicare number and phone number.
- Clinical details and reason for referral
- Relevant medical history
- Medications
- Allergies
- Results of all recent and relevant investigation MANDATORY TEST INFORMATION HERE...

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## **Neurological Rehabilitation Clinic**

Times: Wed 1300-1600HR

• Location: 125 Golf Links Road, Frankston 3199

• Fax 9784 2316

Please Note; The referral should not be given to the patient to arrange an appointment. No appointments can be made over the phone. Once a referral has been received the patient is notified by mail of the date and time of her appointment

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