

Discharge Planning



The Discharge Planning Department at the Hobart Private Hospital offers eligible patients, and all DVA patients, a comprehensive assessment of their discharge needs.

If applicable your discharge from the Hospital will be planned and discussed in advance with you and your family. You will normally be given advance notice of discharge, but on occasions, it may only be possible to notify you on the day of discharge. If necessary, we will also arrange for community care services, which may be required following your discharge.

When you know the date and time of your discharge, please inform relatives in advance to arrange transport home. Please ensure that all your personal belongings are collected, especially items that may have been handed over for safe-keeping.

If you are not going back to your own home directly following discharge, please leave a forwarding address. This will allow hospital staff to send on any mail.

Prescriptions for medications

Prescriptions for medications will be given to you prior to discharge. If you have any questions about your medication, please check with your doctor before discharge. It is important for your recovery that you are familiar with your medication and take them exactly as prescribed.

Discharge Summary

You will be given a discharge summary for your own General Practitioner on discharge from the Hospital.

Referral for further treatment/follow-up

If required you will be provided with a referral to an appropriate Allied Health Professionals for further assessment. ACAT Referrals can be arranged where appropriate, and assistance with Nursing Home placement can be arranged.

Follow-up appointment

Private patients requiring follow-up at a Consultant's Rooms will be asked to contact the Consultant's Secretary to make an appointment

Patients with complex care needs are referred to the Discharge Planners for consultation and review.