

'The right care in the right place'



Ensuring a person receives the appropriate health care, at the right time and in the right place, may reduce the need for a hospital admission.



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Health Independence Programs

Post Acute Care [PAC]
Hospital Admission Risk Program [HARP]
Sub-acute Ambulatory Care Services [SACS]

Health Independence Programs

The PAC, SACS and HARP programs encompass many of the services that deliver health care to support the transition from hospital to the home. These services can also prevent the need for a hospital presentation or stay, with many people accessing these services directly from the community.

The Health Independence Programs work collaboratively together to ensure your care is coordinated efficiently. At any point of access to the 3 programs, staff are able to identify whether there are any other services that may compliment your care and provide the best possible experience throughout your journey.



Alignment of Health Independence Programs

The alignment of PACS, SACS and HARP is underpinned by 7 key objectives:

- To simplify the service system
- To produce efficiencies in service delivery
- To minimize duplication
- To improve equity
- To enhance coordination
- To reduce fragmentation of service delivery across funding streams
- To enhance flexibility in service delivery

Key principles for aligning PAC, SACS & HARP

Defined points of access to link a client into the range of services that a client needs

Common assessment practices, including sharing assessment and care planning information across the different programs

Common referrals to facilitate transition between programs

Coordination of services between programs

Guidelines for programs that are consistent

Summary of Services

Post Acute Care (PAC)

PAC is the management and provision of short term care for patients with complex needs during their recovery from an episode of acute illness or injury. PAC provides additional services for up to 4 weeks. Types of services available are; Home Care, Personal Care and Respite Care.

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(Sub-acute ambulatory care services)

The aim of SACS is to help people who are frail, chronically ill, have a disability, or recovering from traumatic injury to regain optimal function, and to allow people to maximise their independence and return to, or remain in their own home.

Community rehabilitation services are time-limited and goal orientated

Hospital Admission Risk Program (HARP)

HARP Services manage people with chronic diseases who frequently use hospitals or are at risk of hospitalisation. The program coordinates health services to help people better manage their own health.