

Benefits

The overall goal is reducing hospital presentations and the need for inpatient care for those patients for whom treatment can be delivered safely in the community. This will result in:

- Enhancing the capacity of the community care sector to provide care for patients in their homes.
- Opportunity for the patient to receive care in the comfort of their own home.
- The patient can return home sooner after hospital admission.
- Improved responsiveness of the health care system as a whole to meet growing demand.
- Reduced pressure on public hospitals.

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For further information please contact our **Ambulatory Liaison Nurse** on **9242 0242** or visit **www.homehospital.org.au**.

Silver Chain **Home Hospital** delivers acute and post acute care across the metropolitan area 24 hours, seven days a week. An integrated service, Silver Chain **Home Hospital** provides a convenient and comfortable way for patients to be treated safely in their home.

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Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Health**

Silver Chain **Home Hospital** provides an integrated and co-ordinated community based service in the home to patients in the Perth metropolitan area. Underpinned by a robust clinical and medical governance structure, Silver Chain **Home Hospital** ensures safe practice and a quality service for all patients.

Patients can be admitted to all Silver Chain **Home Hospital** services upon referral by a Medical Practitioner. Registered nurses can refer for a Priority Response Assessment as a possible gateway to other services.

Silver Chain **Home Hospital** caters for patients who have a range of short term clinical care requirements, offering the following services:

- **Priority Response Assessment (PRA)** is a non-emergency service that provides advanced clinical assessments within four hours. This assessment may lead to the provision of short term acute care interventions to address an immediate need or admission to other services.
- **Hospital@Home** provides care in the home for patients who would otherwise require hospitalisation, are clinically stable and require 24 hour medical governance. Treatment for ambulatory care sensitive conditions requiring IV antibiotics; anticoagulation therapy; rehydration therapy etc.
- **Post Acute Care** service provides post acute interventions for patients in the immediate post discharge period from hospital or a HITH program.
- **Community Nursing** is provided for care interventions not requiring 24 hour medical governance, as an alternative to admitting patients to hospital.

All Silver Chain **Home Hospital** services include the option of home support services or allied health as required.

How to make a referral

Simply contact Silver Chain **Home Hospital** to discuss your referral and determine if your patient is suitable.

Phone Silver Chain
Home Hospital on
9242 0347

Eligibility

Patients who are eligible:

- Require short term care that can be delivered safely in the home.
- Do not require an emergency response.
- Are aged 16 and over and not under the care of a paediatrician.
- Are not more than 22 weeks pregnant.
- Can communicate effectively, directly or through an interpreter.
- Are medically and mentally stable.
- Are Medicare eligible.
- Have given consent.

Patients who are privately insured and who are in an inpatient setting are not eligible to access Government funded services.