## SOUTH WEST BRAIN INJURY REHABILITATION SERVICE



# The Kid's Team Fact Sheet

#### Who are we?

The Kids' Team provides a coordinated rehabilitation service for a young person with traumatic or acquired brain

The Kids' Team provides:

- Neuropsychology to help with thinking skills
- Occupational Therapy to help with problem solving for activities in your daily life
- Speech Pathology to help with communication and language
- Rehabilitation Coordination to help with keeping it all together

#### What do we do?

The Kids' Team work collaboratively with the young person, their family, their school and the broader community to help facilitate recovery and return to day to day life. Our aim is to ensure that young people with brain injury and their families have access to information and resources to help them achieve their goals.

To do this, we will:

- Provide assessment of skills and abilities by Occupational Therapy, Speech Pathology and Neuropsychology
- Assist in identifying the things that are important to them and setting rehabilitation goals
- Develop a plan for rehabilitation related to goals
- Support for the young person and their family to manage the changes that may occur following a brain injury
- Consult with school, sporting clubs or work places
- Support transitions both within school and post school or if you change schools
- Visits to homes and schools to assist with the return of a young person to their community
- Liaise with insurance companies in compensable cases including Lifetime Care and Support Authority
- Provide education, training and skill development for

staff in schools, community agencies and hospitals regarding the nature and management of acquired brain injury

The Kids' Team are available to provide support to the young person and family for as long as they have rehabilitation goals related to brain injury.

## How can I get referred to The Kids Team?

- From the Hospital where you go after your injury.
- Through your GP or specialist.
- Referral forms are obtainable via 02 5943 4600 or Free call 1800 637 040 or on our webpage:

http://www./mlhd.health.nse.gov.au/services/south-westbrain-injury-rehabilitaton service

## **Eligibility Criteria**

- Ages 3-18 years / School Age
- Primary diagnosis of traumatic brain injury
- reside in the Murrumbidgee Local Health district
- Compensable Clients (TAC etc.) will be considered from Wodonga and surrounding communities.
- Priority is given to people who have sustained a traumatic brain injury. People with Acquired brain injury who have cognitive rehabilitation needs will be considered.

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