

## SOUTH EAST LHIN HOME & COMMUNITY CARE COMMUNITY STROKE REHAB PROGRAM 2019/20

**510** admissions to the CommunityStroke Rehab Program. An increase of**14%** from previous fiscal.

**56%** were referred from an **acute** care setting, **36%** were referred from a **rehab** setting and 8% were referred from other settings.







Median time to first therapy visit stable at 4 days

**One additional wait day** for services in small population centres Median age for male patients was **71** and for females was **78**.



**118** Community Rehab Planning Meetings (<sup>23%</sup> from previous fiscal)

### **THERAPY VISITS**

Average number of total therapy visits received by patients was 14

PT

Post-Acute Average 7.2 15% received ≥12 Post- Rehab Average 8.5 45% received ≥12

# DI

Post-Acute Average 5.6 13% received ≥12 visits Post-Rehab Average 6.0 35% received ≥12 visits

## SIP

Post-Acute Average 3.6 3% received ≥12 visits Post-Rehab Average 3.8 20% received ≥12 visits



Post-Acute Average 2.8 17.8 % received SW Post-Rehab Average 2.0 25.3% received SW

#### REMINDERS

 All patients who have experienced a new stroke should be considered for referral to the CSRP prior to discharge including patients transitioning to LTC. Hospital teams need to complete the South East LHIN Referral Form a minimum of 24-48 hours prior to discharge. The form should clearly indicate "Community Stroke Rehab Program" and include suggested therapy plan with focus of intervention. For all patients discharged from acute, a referral to the Rapid Response Nurse should be included. The table below outlines CSRP therapy services. Note that for LTC, PT is provided by the LTCH.

Community Stroke Rehab Program		
	Weeks 1-4	Weeks 5-12
Occupational Therapy (OT)	Up to 12 visits over 4 weeks	Up to 16 visits over 8 weeks
Physiotherapy (PT)	Up to 12 visits over 4 weeks	Up to 16 visits over 8 weeks
Speech Language Pathology (SLP)	Up to 8 visits over 4 weeks	Up to 8 visits over 8 weeks
Social Work (SW)	Up to 4 visits over 4 weeks	Up to 4 visits over 8 weeks

- 2. **Community Rehab Planning (CoRP) meeting** should be considered for all discharges from rehab. The CoRP ideally occurs within 72 hours prior to discharge but planning for this meeting could start as early as two weeks prior to discharge. Note that it may take 4-5 days to arrange the CoRP meeting. The Hospital OT typically coordinates the CoRP meeting however another therapist may be more appropriate in some circumstances as determined by the Access Care Coordinator and based on recommendations from the hospital team. The most appropriate therapy discipline supports the **Care Planning Meeting in LTCH** in lieu of the CoRP meeting.
- 3. An extended stay in hospital (e.g. waiting for LTC) does **NOT** preclude the patient from being eligible for the CSRP.
- 4. Referral to Social Work (SW) should be considered during discharge planning and throughout the patient's recovery journey. SW can assist with psychosocial supports, links to vocational support services & assistance with applications for financial support <u>any time</u> post-stroke.
- 5. Consider referral to Stroke Survivor and Caregiver Support Groups, Stroke Specific Exercise Programs and Aphasia Supportive Conversation Groups where available and to other community exercise programs and supports when appropriate. A community visit may be used by the community provider to connect the patient with any community support/program prior to discharge from the CSRP.
- 6. Information on various community programs is available through the Community Supports page on the Stroke Network of Southeastern Ontario website (<u>https://www.strokenetworkseo.ca/community-supports</u>) and through the South East Health Line under <u>Stroke Resources</u>. A <u>Patient Journey Map</u> co-developed by stroke survivors and caregivers is a recommended education and navigation resource.
- 7. Funding for education is available through the SNSEO in the form of **Shared Work Days** to link with stroke experts. For shared work day applications visit <u>http://strokenetworkseo.ca/events-registration</u>

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