



HOLY CROSS HOSPITAL CARE PATHWAY STRUCTURE

The pathway has 6 stages:

Stage 1 – Pre admission

- ✚ Initial enquiry and referral received and discussed by multidisciplinary team (MDT)
- ✚ Pre admission assessment to gain further information, identify needs and risks, ensure they can be met by Holy Cross Hospital, identify need for special equipment and prepare report for funding authorities
- ✚ Team discussion and decision on admission
- ✚ Visit to Holy Cross by patient and/or family
- ✚ Gain approval for funding
- ✚ Arrange admission date

Stage 2- Admission

Day 1

Admission procedures completed by RN

- ✚ Patient seen by doctor
- ✚ Basic care planning completed to ensure safety

Day 2

- ✚ Multi-disciplinary team meeting to identify patient's needs and specific risks related to care
- ✚ Agree a care plan and team members responsible for documenting it

Stage 3 – Post admission assessment (4 week timescale)

Specific assessments by each discipline:

- ✚ Medical and nursing including medication review
- ✚ Physiotherapy
- ✚ Occupational therapy
- ✚ Speech and language therapy (dysphagia assessment by day 2 if patient has oral diet)
- ✚ Neuropsychology
- ✚ Dietitian

Stage 4 – Formal case discussion

Multi-disciplinary team case review to:

- ✚ Share assessment results
- ✚ Review and amend care plan
- ✚ Prepare initial report

Stage 5 – Patient and family meeting (6 weeks after admission)

Formal meeting with patient (if able) and family involving multi-disciplinary team to discuss results of assessments, progress and future plans. There are opportunities for questions.

Stage 6 – Re-assessment and review

Continuous process, timescales for formal reviews are defined according to patient's needs and changing condition.