



**SPECIALIST PALLIATIVE CARE COMMUNITY  
REFERRAL FORM NORTH**

FAMILY NAME		MRN
GIVEN NAME		<input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
DOB	AMO	
ADDRESS		
LOCATION/ WARD		
COMPLETE ALL DETAILS OR AFFIX PATIENT LABEL HERE		

**Community Palliative Care Services**

- Dr Victor Sze (Greenwich Community)
- Dr Alexandra Fletcher (Neringah Community)
- Dr Phil Macauley (Northern Beaches Community)

**Please fax or email completed community referral with attachment to:**

*(For urgent referrals please phone 1800 427 255)*

Greenwich Palliative Community Services : (Fax): 9903 8265  
Email: gcteam@hammond.com.au

Neringah Palliative Community Services: (Fax): 9488 2247  
Email: ncteam@hammond.com.au

Northern Beaches Palliative Community Services: (Fax) 1800 426 347  
Email: nbpcsadministration@hammond.com.au

**Specialist Community Palliative Care Eligibility Criteria (Please tick all that apply):**

- The patient's primary residence is in the geographical area of Northern Sydney Local Health District  
*and*
- The patient is over the age of 18  
(Palliative Care may be provided in collaboration with Paediatric Palliative Care service after discussion)  
*and*
- The patient has progressive life limiting or life-threatening illness (malignant and/or non-malignant)  
*and*
- the patient and/or substitute decision maker consents to referral to the service  
*and*

**one or more of the additional criteria below:**

- The patient has complex symptoms related to their diagnosis that require specialist assessment and management
- The patient and/or family has complex emotional, psychosocial or spiritual needs related to the life-limiting diagnosis and impacting on care in the community that require specialist multidisciplinary team (MDT) assessment and management
- The primary care team and/or patient and care givers would benefit from support when undertaking complex future care planning
- It would not be a surprise if the patient died in the next 12 months and the primary care team requires additional support and /or advice in addressing complex needs

**Alternative Service Providers:**

Patients who are referred with unmet needs that are more appropriately managed by disease specific supportive care models and/or aged care services may fall outside the scope of our service, unless the patient is thought to be in the final 6 months of life

**Discharge from Service:**

If patients no longer have specialist needs, move out of area, decline further input, or are more appropriately serviced by alternative providers, they will be discharged from service. Providers and patients will be notified, and re-referrals are welcomed, should the situation change in the future.

**Please ensure the relevant palliative care team is copied on all specialist correspondence and imaging results to ensure contemporaneous information is available when reviews are undertaken.**

BINDING MARGIN NO WRITING

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Please attach most recent specialist correspondence, imaging and pathology with this referral.

NOTE: incomplete referrals may result in delay to commencement of service

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<b>Patient Demographics:</b>	
Religion: ..... Country of Birth: .....	
Preferred Language: ..... Interpreter <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Indigenous Status: <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/> Torres Strait Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal & TSI <input type="checkbox"/> Neither <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to disclose	
Contact Details: H: ..... M: ..... Email: .....	
Medicare No: ..... Health Fund Name: ..... Health Fund Number: .....	
DVA Number: ..... DVA Card Colour: .....	
Person responsible: ..... Relationship: ..... Phone no: .....	
Does the patient live alone? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Consent to referral? <input type="checkbox"/> Patient <input type="checkbox"/> Carer	
<b>Reason for Referral:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Complex symptom control <input type="checkbox"/> End of Life Care at Home <input type="checkbox"/> Carer needs related to terminal diagnosis <input type="checkbox"/> Early Palliative Link	
<b>Diagnosis:</b>	
<b>Current Treatment:</b>	
<b>Estimated Prognosis:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Days <input type="checkbox"/> Weeks <input type="checkbox"/> <6 Months <input type="checkbox"/> >6 Months
Other Significant Medical Issues (or attach document):	
Current Medications (or attach document):	
Allergies:	
<b>Service Providers:</b>	
GP .....	Phone: ..... Aware of referral? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Specialist .....	Location: .....
Specialist .....	Location: .....
Other providers e.g. NDIS/Community nursing/Aged Care: .....	
<b>Advance Care Planning:</b>	
Has the patient's Resuscitation Status been discussed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Advance Care Directive/Plan? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown (If answered yes, please attach copy)	
Enduring Power of Attorney/Enduring Guardian? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown. If yes, who?.....	
Please describe the patient's insight into their disease/preferred goals of care: .....	
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<b>Functional Status:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Partial Assist <input type="checkbox"/> Full Assist	
<b>Psychosocial/Spiritual Issues:</b>	
Known to Social worker/Psychologist/Psychiatrist? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (if answered yes, please provide detail below)	
Details: .....	
Identified Risks to Staff? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Details:.....	
<b>Referrer Details:</b>	
Name: ..... Designation: .....	
Organisation: ..... Provider Number: .....	
Phone: ..... Fax: ..... Email: .....	
Sign: ..... Date: ...../...../.....	