

Supplementary Material

Consumer perspectives of allied health involvement in a public hospital setting: cross-sectional survey and electronic health record review

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Allied health input was most prevalent in subacute (inpatient rehabilitation) care, with all disciplines except psychology represented in the cohort (see Supplementary Table 1). Of the acute-care responders, most (47%) received physiotherapy (average of three sessions per patient; with an average of 28 minutes of direct contact per episode) and/or occupational therapy (28%). The average number of occupational therapy sessions was two for those who received it, at an average of 28 minutes each. Few received speech pathology (4%) or podiatry (3%), and no one received psychology. Supplementary Table 1 provides details about number of therapy sessions per episode of care, and average duration of therapy sessions by allied health discipline.

Supplementary Table 1. Profession and amount (direct minutes, mean number of episodes per week) of allied health input for applicable participants (n=83).

Type of Allied Health	Groups											
	Acute Inpatient (n=55)				Sub-Acute Inpatient (n=7)				Acute outpatients (n=21)			
	Total episodes, number	Median (mean) sessions per week	Total direct contact time (mins)	Mean time per session (mins)	Total episodes, number	Median sessions per week	Total direct contact time (mins)	Mean time per session (mins)	Total episodes, number	Median sessions per week	Total direct contact time (mins)	Mean time per episode (mins)
Physiotherapy	128	1 (1.3)	3590	28	76	2	2005	26	22	0.6	675	31
Occupational Therapy	56	0 (.2)	1585	28	34	0.67	1267	37	54	1	1635	30
Social Work	30	0 (.6)	780	26	16	0.5	275	17	0	0	0	0
Dietitian	17	0 (.2)	340	20	17	0.82	215	13	5	0.75	225	45
Speech Pathology	8	0 (.0)	165	21	22	0.55	675	31	0	0	0	0
Podiatry	5	0 (.1)	170	34	1	0.09	60	60	0	0	0	0
Allied Health Assistant	30	0 (.2)	655	22	26	0.83	606	23	0	0	0	0
Psychology	0	NA	NA	NA	0	NA	NA	NA	0	0	0	0

NB: acute outpatient services provided included physiotherapy, occupational therapy and dietetics only.