Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Hospital and Community Services

Role of Aged Care Liaison Nurse

In HKH Hospital:

- Takes responsibility for assessment and the 3020 or ACCR being completed in a timely manner. Timely completion of the 3020 facilitates patient transfer to Nursing Home placement when a bed becomes available. This includes liaison with the Rehabilitation and Aged Care staff specialists, social workers and the patient, family / carers.

- Provides a valuable link for the patient and staff between the Emergency Department, ASET and the Ward

- Ensures effective use of the transitional Nursing Home beds in the community, including assistance with finding permanent placement.

- Contributes to the medical wards weekly multidisciplinary case conferences and discharge planning

- Takes responsibility for placement

- An advocate for the patient and the family wishes

- Assists the patient and family to navigate the placement process.

- Monitoring Nursing Home placement and progress

- A community services resource person for the wards to assist with discharge planning

Please note that this is an evolving role.