



Information for patients and families about A transfer to the hospital

Not all cases of Pneumonia will require a transfer to the hospital, however in the event a transfer occurs, here are some things you may need to know.

Do I still pay for my bed at the Long Term Care Home?

Yes, if you are transferred to the hospital, you are still responsible for the long term care fees. However, you do not have to pay for the bed at the hospital as long as you remain a resident of the Long Term Care Home.

What will happen to my belongings?

Your belongings will be kept in your room. If you are worried about your belongings, ask a family member to take them home.

How long can I be in hospital and still keep my bed in the Long Term Care Home?

The Long Term Care Home will hold your bed for up to 21 days. After 21 days, you may have the option of paying a fee to hold your bed for another 30 days. This is a standard set by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care.

The health care teams at the hospital and Long Term Care Home will decide when you can return to the Long Term Care Home. You and your family will be included in making this decision.

Reference: Mental Health – Long Term Care Working Group 2007

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