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Patient Care Boards and You



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What is a Patient Care Board?

Patient Care Boards are a communication tool to help individualise your care. It also makes it easier for you, the healthcare team and your family and/or carers, to plan and understand the care that is provided to you on a daily basis.

Who can write on my Patient Care Board?

You, and with your permission, your family and carers can write on the board.

Healthcare staff will also write on the board.

When do I write on the Patient Care Board?

You can write on the Patient Care Board at any time, using the whiteboard marker pen provided. It is a good idea to write things on it as you think of them, so you don't forget.

I am concerned about my privacy and what is written on the Patient Care Board.

What is written on the board must be agreed upon with you. If you do not want something in particular written on the board, please let your healthcare team know.

Patient Care Board

Day	Date	Care Team
	<i>In this section, the day and date will be updated for you daily.</i>	Nurse _____ Doctor/team <i>The people looking after you will write their name here.</i>
Name		
Bed Number		
Plan		Expected date of discharge
Today's plan <i>This is the daily plan that will assist you with your care. All healthcare providers can write information regarding the plan for you, e.g. information about medication, equipment needed for mobilising.</i>		<i>This section includes your discharge information, potential date and any follow up services that have been organised.</i>
Patient requests for today <i>May include additional comfort needs, e.g. a specific number of blankets at night, use own pillow.</i>		Expected time of discharge
		<i>This section includes your potential discharge time and any follow up services that have been organised.</i>
		Communication
		Family/carers questions or comments <i>Patients, relatives and friends can write here, e.g. a question for a doctor, or a message from a relative to cheer up the patient.</i>

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