

#### Nutrition and Hydration – Eating well to prevent falls

## How to Refer to a Dietitian in NSLHD

Dietitians are university qualified health professionals who are the experts in nutrition and hydration. Dietitians work across NSLHD in a variety of different roles.



#### **Inpatients**

Admitted patient referrals to a Dietitian via 'eMR Orders - Allied Health Dietitian Inpt.'

Although every effort will be made to see referred patients, all Dietitian referrals are prioritised as per site-based departmental priority lists.

Ensure your reason for referral is clear so that the Dietitian can assess both the priority and level of intervention required.

#### **Community**

**Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) Dietitians** 

Offering home visits and outpatient visits for clients > 65 years, living at home.

Referrals to be made via My Aged Care (MAC):

https://www.myagedcare.gov.au/referral

Chronic Disease Community
Rehabilitation Service (CDCRS) Dietitians
For clients with a pulmonary or heart
failure diagnosis.

**Referrals** to be made via the Health Contact Centre on 1300 732 503

### **Outpatients**

Please contact the Nutrition & Dietetics department closest to the person's residential address to determine eligibility criteria for outpatient Dietetic services.

The patient will require a referral letter from their GP.

#### **Private Practice**

Search for an Accredited Practicing Dietitian (APD) on The Dietitians Association of Australia website: <a href="https://daa.asn.au/find-an-apd/">https://daa.asn.au/find-an-apd/</a>

Clients may be entitled to a rebate through Medicare as part of the Chronic Disease Management plan (made by their GP) or via their private health insurance.

# Additional Options to support Nutrition in the Community:

Carer Support Men's Cooking Classes: http://internet.nslhd.health.nsw.gov.au/S ervices/Carer/carerevents/Pages/Carer-Leisure-Programs.aspx

