

## Palliative Care – South Eastern Palliative Care (SEPC)

**This program is currently under review**

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<b>Program</b>	External program
<b>Program code</b>	DANCA (non-financial program).
<b>Definition</b>	A home-based palliative care service - providing medical, nursing, counselling and volunteer services.
<b>Responsibility</b>	RDNS general.
<b>Referrals</b>	<p><i>To</i> RDNS centres: Springvale, Berwick and Cranbourne.</p> <p><i>From</i> SEPC</p>
<b>RDNS centres covered</b>	
<b>Type of service</b>	Palliative care - shared care nursing service with RDNS General.
<b>Eligibility/criteria for accepting referral</b>	SEPC determine eligibility prior to referral to RDNS.
<i>Overseas visitors</i>	Access to program determined by SEPC.
<b>Health insurance</b>	Some health insurance policies may cover visits by RDNS. Clients need to liaise with their insurance company.
<b>Fees</b>	<p>RDNS charge as per the HACC fees policy provided in the <i>RDNS Financial Agreement form</i> (refer to <i>RDNS policy reference</i> below).</p> <p>SEPC does not charge a fee for their service.</p>
<b>Liaison charge</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Consumables</b>	Client is responsible for the cost of consumables.
<b>Continuity of care/Core</b>	No
<b>Access responsiveness</b>	<p>Prioritisation according to need.</p> <p>All SEPC clients will have a <i>Site Assessment Tool (SAT)</i> completed on admission.</p>
<b>RDNS policy reference</b>	<p>CP-B05 <i>Managing a shared care client with external organisations</i></p> <p>CP-B06 <i>Determining client fees</i></p>

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<b>Contract/agreement</b>	RDNS & SEPC Memorandum of Understanding (this is not a financial agreement).
<i>Contract responsibility</i>	CEO
<i>Contact responsibility</i>	RDNS Centre Cranbourne/Berwick, Centre Manager. General Manager/Director of Nursing South and East Regions.
<i>Expiry date</i>	

<b>Other programs permitted</b>	CACP
	CF
	HACC
	HOC
	HPP

**Comments**

<b>Reference/source of information</b>	RDNS & South East Palliative Care Memorandum of Understanding.
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