

Palliative Care – Frankston Mornington Peninsula Hospice (FMPAL)

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Program	External program
Program code	FMPAL (non-financial program).
Definition	<p>Frankston Mornington Peninsula Hospice (FMPAL) service's mission statement specifies that they will provide integrated physical, emotional, spiritual and psychological support to people on the Mornington Peninsula who are living with a terminal illness.</p> <p>FMPAL will help them achieve the highest quality of life within the living environment of their choice and support them and their families through death and bereavement.</p> <p>RDNS is the contracted nursing service to Peninsula Hospice Service.</p>
Responsibility	RDNS general.
Referrals	<p><i>To</i> All referrals to FMPAL.</p> <p><i>From</i> Accepted from any source.</p>
RDNS support sites covered	Frankston and Rosebud.
Type of service	<p>Nursing care, music therapy, art therapy and bereavement counselling.</p> <p>FMPAL nursing staff perform first visit assessment.</p> <p>RDNS Palliative Care team provide all nursing care.</p> <p>Interdisciplinary team consists of nursing, Medical Director, counselling, pastoral care, social work and a Manager of Volunteers.</p>
Eligibility/criteria for accepting referral	<p>All clients with a life-threatening illness are referred to Frankston Mornington Peninsula Hospice and are assessed by the FMPAL and RDNS palliative care teams for nursing involvement and referral to the other multi-disciplinary team members.</p> <p><i>Overseas visitors</i> As per RDNS guidelines.</p>
Health insurance	Some health insurance policies may cover RDNS visits. Clients need to liaise with their health insurance companies.

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Fees	HACC rates apply for RDNS visits. No fee is charged for Peninsula Hospice Services.
Liaison charge	Not applicable.
Consumables	Client is responsible for the cost of consumables.
Continuity of care/Core	Not applicable.
Access responsiveness	According to need and availability of staff. All FMPAL clients will have a <i>Site Assessment Tool (SAT)</i> completed on admission.
RDNS policy reference	CP-B06 <i>Determining client fees.</i>
Contract/agreement	RDNS/Frankston Mornington Peninsula Hospice.
<i>Contract responsibility</i>	CEO
<i>Contact responsibility</i>	Clients Services Manager, RDNS Rosebud.
<i>Expiry date</i>	December 2008
Other programs permitted	CACP CF HACC HOC (not available on the Mornington Peninsula) HPP
Comments	RDNS provide all nursing care and are responsible for 24 hour care.
Reference/source of information	Palliative Care CNC.

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