

Length of Stay for Rehabilitation at St. Joseph's Hospital

Client admitted

Functional Independence Measure completed by inter disciplinary team

- Basic indicator of patient disability
- Used to track changes in functional abilities during a hospital admission
- 18 items, scored 1-7
- Contains both motor and cognitive components
- Requires training and regular recertification to ensure reliability in reporting
- Data is submitted to Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) who oversees the National Rehabilitation Reporting System (NRS) which is used to support and plan rehabilitation services across Canada

Rehabilitation Client Group (RCG) Established

- General categorization of clients by primary diagnosis:
 - Stroke • Brain Dysfunction • Neurological Conditions • Spinal Cord Dysfunction • Amputation of Limb • Arthritis • Pain Syndromes • Developmental Disabilities • Medically Complex • Orthopedic Conditions • Cardiac Conditions • Pulmonary Conditions • Burns • Congenital Deformities • Other Disabling Impairments • Major Multiple Trauma • Debility

Rehabilitation Patient Group Established

- Incorporates FIM, and level of impairment to further categorize clients

LOS Target established

- LOS is assigned based on RPG rating.
- At St. Joseph's we use a mixture of sources for our set LOS.
- An amalgamation from provincial guidelines, guidelines set out by the LHIN, comparison with similar facilities provincially.

Exceptions:

- Extension requests – Must be requested through Management with justification.
- Early discharge – Client will be discharged earlier than EDD if ready (FIM > 100).