

FUNDED REHABILITATION PROGRAMME

One of the primary reasons for preventing patients having access to timely quality rehabilitation following an accident is that funds are often unavailable until the liability issues are resolved, **this can take months**. The result of this is that the patient is exposed to unnecessary suffering and there is a heightened risk that the patient will clinically deteriorate.

The Medicess funding programme ensures that the patient has choice and immediate access to rehabilitation whilst the liability issues are being resolved.

STAGE 1: FUNDING AN INITIAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Medicess will fund an INA's to establish the client's needs in the following circumstances:

- A defendant has been established
- A letter of claim has been issued (usually)
- The claimant is still suffering from their injuries
- Probability of liability being conceded is over 80%
- Agreement will be subject to a Medicess review

PLEASE NOTE: No liability for any fees if the case fails - Medicess will write all of the costs off.

STAGE 2: FUNDING REHABILITATION

Once an INA has established the clinical facts then Medicess liaise with all parties to secure funding via one of the following routes:

OPTION 1 - Joint Instruction

Medicess will liaise with all parties to secure joint instruction.

OPTION 2 – Single Instruction

Medicess will structure its service and billing to support interim payments.

OPTION 3 – Interim Funding

In some cases, where liability is assured but being delayed Medicess may choose to provide interim funding until liability is admitted.

PARTNERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

This approach can only work **in partnership** with everyone recognising their obligations.

- The solicitor commits to obtaining Medicess fees and agrees to a funding schedule on appropriate cases.
- Where funding is not forthcoming then Medicess may place the rehabilitation on hold.
- The patient remains liable for external treatment costs.
- The patient understands that outstanding fees will be included in any settlement and paid to Medicess
- The patient understands that interim payments for rehab are paid to Medicess within 10 days of receipt

GENERAL INFORMATION

ABOUT MEDICESS

Medicess is an award winning, independent, nationwide company which has been developed by doctors and rehabilitation experts to deliver excellent clinical and vocational rehabilitation. Medicess tailors doctor-led, multidisciplinary management teams (MDT) to meet the clinical and vocational needs of patients.

Medicess has been voted by solicitors “**2013 Rehabilitation Provider of the Year**”.

REHABILITATION SERVICES

Medicess specialises in the management of moderate to complex injuries our services include:

- **MDT Injury Management** – Moderate injuries with multidisciplinary rehabilitation needs
- **Complex Injury Management** – Complex/Catastrophic injuries requiring long-term care

REHABILITATION FUNDING

We will review the clinical aspects of every case and agrees an appropriate, patient-centred plan that dovetails into the case.

It is preferable for defendants to fund rehabilitation, but some defendants are unwilling to do so. Medicess is happy to work under joint or single instruction and will adjust our approach accordingly (please see overleaf).

TARGET CASES

Please consider referring any client who may be in need of help. Key claims stages to consider referral are:

- 1) When issuing a letter of claim.
- 2) At the time of liability admission.
- 3) On receipt of evidence indicating clinical needs.

REFERRING CASES

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PLEASE INCLUDE:

Any medico-legal reports, medical notes and other medical correspondence that may help us.