MACARTHUR TRANSPORT OPTIONS - 2015 -

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IMPORTANT

IF SERVICE IS NOT PROVIDED TO CLIENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INFORMATION IN THIS BOOKLET, PLEASE CONTACT THE MACARTHUR CHSP DEVELOPMENT WORKER ON 4621 8400

SO WE HAVE THE CHANCE TO FIX THE PROBLEM IF POSSIBLE.

CLIENTS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAXI SUBSIDY
WHICH COULD CUT TAXI FARES IN HALF - IF SO, CONTACT
The TAXI TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME
At TRANSPORT NSW

NO SERVICES ARE FUNDED TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY / IMMEDIATE TRANSPORT IN MACARTHUR.

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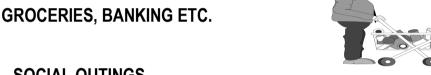
MACARTHUR AREA HEALTH TRANSPORT SERVICE

This service only accepts referrals via Health Care Workers, and only provides transport to Campbelltown & Camden Hospitals, and area Community Health Centres.

GETTING TO:-



- * A PRIVATE DOCTOR OR SPECIALIST
- GETTING TO THE SHOPS FOR GROCERIES, BANKING ETC.



* SOCIAL OUTINGS

WHAT IF THE CLIENT NEEDS ONE-TO-ONE SUPPORT WHILE AT THEIR DESTINATION?

Some clients require someone to stay with them all the time. In the doctor's office, assisting getting shopping off shelves, etc. This can only be provided by neighbor Aid.

WHAT IF THE CLIENT IS ABLE TO GET ABOUT THEMSELVES SAFELY?

Community Transport provides a door to door service. This means that they will come to your door and escort you to the vehicle and if required assist you in and out of the bus or car — but they do not stay with you at your destination. Community Transport team member will arrange for a place and time to pick you up and return you home. This may be in a coffee shop or in the doctor's waiting rooms.

WHAT IF THE CLIENT IS HOUSEBOUND AND NEEDS SHOPPING DONE FOR THEM?

Neighbour Aid can assist in Camden and Wollondilly. In Campbelltown there is a specific housebound shopping service at Meals on Wheels - contact 4645 4523.

SOUTH WEST COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Telephone: 1300 138 794 Fax: 9426 8900 transport@swct.com.au

Provides transport to clients in either a bus or car.

IMPORTANT – when referring to Community Transport please note:-

- Referrals from CHSP services need to be in writing (either faxed 9426 8900 or emailed transport@swct.com.au)
- CIARR is the preferred format for referrals
- Referrals from supporting agencies or organisations should be in writing
- Individuals may undertake a self-referral by phoning 9426 8999
- Assessments are undertaken via phone Monday to Friday
- Whilst this is a door-to-door service, the service does not provide one-to-one support at the client's destination.

If the client is a NEW CLIENT:-

- Assessment with a new client is undertaken over the telephone
- Telephone interpreter is utilized if required
- Bi-lingual workers are available to assist with assessments on following days
 Monday Vietnamese, Tuesday Chinese, Wednesday Arabic, Thursday Italian and Friday Spanish
- Urgent assessments may be undertaken immediately if the client has a request for transport within the following couple of days
- Whilst SWCT goal is to contact clients within 48 hours of receiving the referral sometimes this may be extended to 5 working days, depending on demand

IN ALL CASES IF THE NEED IS PARTICULARLY URGENT - PLEASE RING THE OFFICE TO DISCUSS.

DOCTORS/SPECIALISTS APPOINTMENTS

Service	Doctors/Specialists
Destination	Macarthur and Sydney Metropolitan Area
Transport Provided by	Paid and Volunteer Drivers
Notice Required	As much as possible
Cost	Varies depending on distance traveled
Important Issues and Restrictions	Availability of volunteers Only have two out of area vehicles so demand often exceeds resources Monday to Friday only Individual accepts up to four regular bookings at any one time

SHOPPING/BANKING ETC.

Service	Shopping / Banking etc
Destination	Depends on where client lives, what shopping centre is visited, etc
Transport Provided by	Paid and Volunteer Drivers
Notice Required	Can make permanent bookings
Cost	\$7 for return journey
Important Issues and Restrictions	Service is once per fortnight

VISITING FRIENDS/SOCIAL OUTINGS

Service	Visiting friends or social outings
Destination	Macarthur and Sydney Metropolitan area
Transport Provided by	Paid and Volunteer drivers
Notice Required	As much as possible
Cost	Varies depending on distance travelled
Important Issues and Restrictions	Social bus trip twice per month. Overnight Socials are arranged 3-4 times a year. Monday to Friday only. Individual depends on availability of vehicle. For information on future social outings and shopping days for specific areas, please see social calendar at www.swct.org.au

SELF-DRIVE VEHICLE HIRE

Service	Out of hours - Self Drive Hire
Destination	Macarthur and Sydney Metropolitan area
Transport Provided by	Vehicle Self Drive Hire
Notice Required	One week prior to the date of hire
Cost	\$35.00 per day
Important Issues and Restrictions	Required a 1C Drivers License Vehicle has a rear ramp for wheelchair access

DEMAND RESPONSIVE WEEKEND TRANSPORT SERVICE

Service	For frail aged and younger persons with disabilities.
Areas Covered	Camden, Campbelltown, Wollondilly
Transport Provided by	Transport provided by Taxis to destinations within 20kms of clients home
Notice Required	Transport on demand – ring in advance or on the day if transport required on Saturday or Sunday.
Cost	Funded under CHSP
Important Issues and Restrictions	

GANDANGARA ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Phone: **9608 0968** Fax: **9602 2741**

Service	Doctors/Specialists, Hospital visits, Podiatry, Shopping trips, group social outings, individual social outings
Destination	Camden, Campbelltown, Wollondilly, and Wingecarribee
Transport Provided by	Staff
Notice Required	As much as possible
Cost	Varies
Important Issues and Restrictions	First time users of Gandangara will require an assessment before transport

NEIGHBOUR AID

Provides volunteers to assist clients with transport and to stay with them on the outing.

IMPORTANT!

Services can usually assist clients quickly if they have available volunteers. Referrals from CHSP services need to be on a completed Client Information and Referral Record. Referrals from other sectors may be by telephone.

BAPTISTCARE SOCIAL SUPPORT CAMPBELLTOWN & CAMDEN LGA

Phone: 9346 1230

Service	Doctors/Specialists, Shopping, Banking, Social Activities. When a companion is required
Destination	Macarthur area, out of area (dependant on where the client needs to go, and if there is an available volunteer)
Transport Provided by	Volunteers as available
Notice Required	As much as possible – at least one week
Cost	\$10 (cost for out of area trip dependent on distance)
Important Issues and Restrictions	Availability of volunteers; Clients must be able to weight bear – no lifting; It is recommended clients are also registered with South West Community Transport.

WOLLONDILLY SUPPORT & COMMUNITY CARE NEIGHBOUR AID

Phone: 4677 2524 Fax: 4677 0194 <u>enquiries@wsacci.org.au</u>

Hours: 9am - 3pm

Service	Doctors / Specialists, Social Support, Shopping, Banking, Visiting Friends
Destination	Macarthur, Bowral to Liverpool
Transport Provided by	Volunteers
Notice Required	48 Hours
Cost	Varies
Important Issues and Restrictions	Availability of volunteers. No transport available to appointments prior to 8am and after 3.30pm; No transport home from a hospital / medical facility following a General Anesthetic / Anesthetic / Sedation; No transport available from a Doctors Surgery to a hospital

MACARTHUR DIVERSITY SERVICES INITIATIVE MULTICULTURAL NEIGHBOUR AID PROGRAM

Phone: 4627 1188 Fax: 4628 6068

Email: marcela@mdsi.org.au

Provides volunteers to assist clients with transport.

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Service	Local doctors / specialists, shopping, banking, visiting friends and relatives
Destination	Macarthur
Transport Provided by	Volunteers
Notice Required	As much as possible
Cost	Varies
Important Issues and Restrictions	Transport to local appointments is limited, depending on resources

TRANSPORT TO WORK OR FURTHER EDUCATION

CHSP services do not provide this ongoing intensive transport, however;

Neighbour Aid – may be able, in some cases, to provide assistance with transport to short courses (eg. University of the Third Age). **See page 7.**

TRAVEL CONCESSIONS FOR VISION IMPAIRED PERSONS

Free travel on most public transport services is available to blind or severely vision impaired persons.

NSW & interstate Vision Impaired Person's (VIP) Pass holders can obtain free travel on most Public Transport services.

Free travel entitlements for attendants are available for holders of the Vision Impaired Person Pass marked "Plus Attendant".

Entitlements may vary between jurisdictions.

For more information on eligibility and how to apply, contact the Rail Information Centre, Grand Concourse, Central Railway Station, 8.30am – 4pm Monday to Friday; Phone: 1300 548 828;

Email: passes&concessions@transport.nsw.gov.au

THE COMPANION CARD PROGRAM

Companion Card is a Not For Profit program, funded by the NSW Government, and managed by National Disability Services.

The Card carries the name and photo of the Holder, who can use the Card to secure Free Entry for their Companion, to a number of venues and events, (providing the business is an affiliate of the Program.)

The Companion Card is for people who have a significant and permanent disability, and who will always need a companion to help

- access community-based activities or venues, and
- assist you to get around or take part in the event or activity.

To learn more or to apply for a Companion Card, phone their Information Line on: 1800 893 044



