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AED Step Care

Step Care: Working Towards Recovery Pathway

Who are we?

We are a multidisciplinary specialised adult eating disorder service designed to deliver intensive virtual care, to individuals in their own homes.

Our support across different pathways can be accessed both before and after inpatient treatment as we bridge the gap between inpatient and community services.

The Working Towards Recovery Pathway

The Working Towards Recovery pathway is for patients who have had only partial weight restoration during inpatient admission.

This pathway aims to support patients in sustaining treatment progress and explore treatment goals in relation to enhancing overall quality of life.

This pathway lasts for up to 8 weeks with duration decided at a week 4 review.

What do we offer?

Nursing support

- Safety / Risk planning
- Meal support
- Coping & Dialectical Behaviour Therapy (DBT) skills
- Group Dialectical Behaviour Therapy (DBT)
- Care / support needs
- Goal setting

Psychology Support

- Psychological assessment
- Eating disorder formulation
- 1:1 evidence-based Enhanced Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT-E)
- Group Enhanced Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT-E)
- Psychological measurement of recovery

Art Therapy

- Visual art media as mode of communication
- Challenging perfectionism
- Improving self-esteem
- Interests & quality of life

Dietetic Support

- Weight stabilisation, reversal of malnutrition

- Regular eating, normal eating, introducing avoided foods
- Collaborative weighing
- Nutrition groups
- Food shopping support

Physical Health

We work alongside your community team to maintain your safety.

Your community team or GP will continue to conduct medical and physical checks (e.g. weight, blood tests) as needed.

Family and Carer Support

- Specific contacts for family & carers
- Facilitating attending meetings where appropriate
- Psychoeducation for family & carers

Maximising your Care:

Step Care holds hope that recovery is possible, especially when it feels impossible.

We support patients to become their own therapist over time. To get the most out of your admission, it is really important to prioritise treatment.

This means attending all appointments and avoiding breaks in treatment, or extended periods of travel.

How do I access this service?

Patients can only be referred by their inpatient adult eating disorder team to the single point of access (HOPE SPA). If the referral is accepted, a treatment planning meeting will be held with the patient and existing care team where we discuss how Step Care could best support you.

Contact us:

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