



HOSPITAL GUIDE FOR BOOKING PATIENT TRANSPORT

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> Volunteer Driver

Patients who need no assistance. Can mobilise independently with/without walking aids. Must be aged 16 or over.

> Flow Centre vehicle

- NHS bus and driver with CSW. Both are trained in manual handling, BLS etc
- O2 (4 litres) is available if requested at booking and must be pre-prescribed before the patient returns home
- Wheelchair transfers are available (Please note that total weight, including chair, cannot exceed 25.5 stones for bariatric transfer and 22 stones for standard transfer)
- Can assist with the patient transfer to and from a chair and up stairs but will not 'lift' patient
- Ramp access for up to 4 steps (must be requested at the time of booking)

> PTS (SAS Patient Transport)

- Basic Life Support training and O2 availability AED (maximum 8 litres) on board
- Single patient journey available
- Access to radio to request assistance in case of emergency
- Will look to risk assess any scoop or stretchers with stairs that may not be able to fulfil on the day requests

> Medical Ambulance

- Ambulance Technician Crew
- Full emergency ambulance with the same capability as emergency crew but cannot intubate, cannulate or give IV drugs.

> Emergency Ambulance

- A crew of 2 Paramedics or 1 Paramedic and 1 Technician.
- Full emergency capability, including intubation, cannulation, IV management and drugs

> Palliative ambulance

- A crew of 2 with specialist training in palliative care
- Suitable for adults and children
- Stretcher/wheelchair or seated
- Mon–Friday 9am–5pm

> Out of Area ambulance

- Basic Life Support training and O2 availability. AED on board
- Crew of 2
- Pre-planned with a minimum of 48-hours notice and requesting the first date required. Out-of-Area requests are sometimes cancelled so, if transport becomes available, the patient may be offered transport at short notice.

QUESTIONS THAT WILL BE ASKED WHEN BOOKING PATIENT TRANSPORT:

•	Name	Covid/respiratory concerns
•	Hospital, Ward	Address, postcode
•	DOB	NOK contact
•	DNAR status	Access: how many steps to front door
•	Medical History	Stairs in house
•	Mobility - independent/requires assistance of	Key availability/key safe
	1/assistance of 2/ wheelchair dependent/two-	Oxygen required
	person chair (carry)/Stretcher	Discharge date
•	Walking aids	Preferred discharge morning/afternoon
•	Weight	