

COMMUNITY OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

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Occupational Therapy Services DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS

All Occupational Therapists in our group are able to provide a range of Occupational Therapy Services to Veterans living throughout metropolitan Melbourne and on the Mornington Peninsula.

If you have a Gold Card there should be no issues in assessing and providing Occupational Therapy Services. If you are a White Card holder, prior approval may be required from the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Following are some of the services that can be provided:

Home Assessment

A home assessment can be arranged whereby the Occupational Therapist visits your home to assess for independence and safety and then provides equipment or education for the Veteran.

Small equipment items can be arranged but sometimes there may be need for modifications to the home at entrances or the bathroom. The Occupational Therapist will then work in conjunction with DVA contracted builders to achieve all modifications.

Recliner Chairs

Occupational Therapists can assess for the need of appropriate seating for the Veteran. The Occupational Therapist can trial a range of manual and electric recliners to find one suitable that meets the Veteran's needs and Physiotherapy goals.

Personal Alarm Systems

If a Veteran lives alone and is at high risk of falls or medical emergencies the Occupational Therapist can assess for a personal alarm system which is monitored. This enables the Veteran to contact for help in the case of an emergency or fall.

Scooters and Electric Wheelchairs

An Occupational Therapist can assess for the use of a scooter or electric wheelchair to provide the Veteran with essential mobility so that they can complete tasks like shopping and banking. The Occupational Therapist will also provide education regarding the safe use of these items.

Driving Assessments

Some Occupational Therapists in our group are also registered with VicRoads to provide driving assessments. Unfortunately these are not funded by DVA unless the reason for the Veteran's inability to drive is directly related to a war injury. A fee will be charged for this service.

For any type of assessment to take place please obtain a referral from your local GP and have it with you on the day of the assessment.

For an assessment please ring with your referral information:

Phone: 9381 1262 or 5985 9188

Fax: 9388 9793

***Please note that if you are unable to keep your appointment please let us know as soon as possible on the above number.**

The appointment time for your home visit is:

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