

The CHASERS - The Canberra Hospital Acute Subacute Early Rehabilitation Service

Canberra Hospital



Problems: Canberrra Hospital noted delays in the care path (acute admission to rehab referral, rehab ready to subacute admission, etc) as well as a long Subacute ALOS for stroke and complex neuro patients.

Solution:

- Changed model of care from “Push” to “Pull”
- Established a Rehabilitation Leadership Group with multi-disciplinary (MDT) representation to: discuss ward issues/problems, provide leadership to all MDT staff and to help solve problems and hold regular meetings with rotating chair
- Branded the group “**THE CHASERS**” (The **C**anberra **H**ospital **A**cute **S**ubacute **E**arly **R**ehabilitation **S**ervice) which helped with buy-in and program awareness

Results: The above changes have shown reductions in:

- ALOS, Time since onset/injury to episode start, Days between ready for rehab to episode start



