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# After Hours Hardship Travel Fund - Kapiti Patients

## Guideline

Emergency Department (ED), Short Stay Unit (SSU) or Kenepuru Accident and Medical Clinic (A&M) patients from the Kapiti region who are clinically fit for discharge and unable to arrange or pay for their own travel home after hours may be offered TaxiCharge transport home on a discretionary basis and according to criteria (see procedure).

Trips may only be direct from hospital to the patient's place of residence. Stops for any purpose, including pharmacy are not included ie. if patients need overnight medication this is to be supplied on discharge.

This guideline does not replace provision of taxi chits for patients from other areas.

Monthly monitoring and audit will be conducted.

## Scope

ED, SSU and A&M Clinic staff.

## Definitions

### After Hours

Between 1600 hours and 0700 hours seven days a week

### Hardship

- Patient lacks (or lacks availability of) transport home (family, friend, public transport), **and**
- patient does not have money for a taxi, **and**
- because of clinical indications, is unable to travel home using public transport.

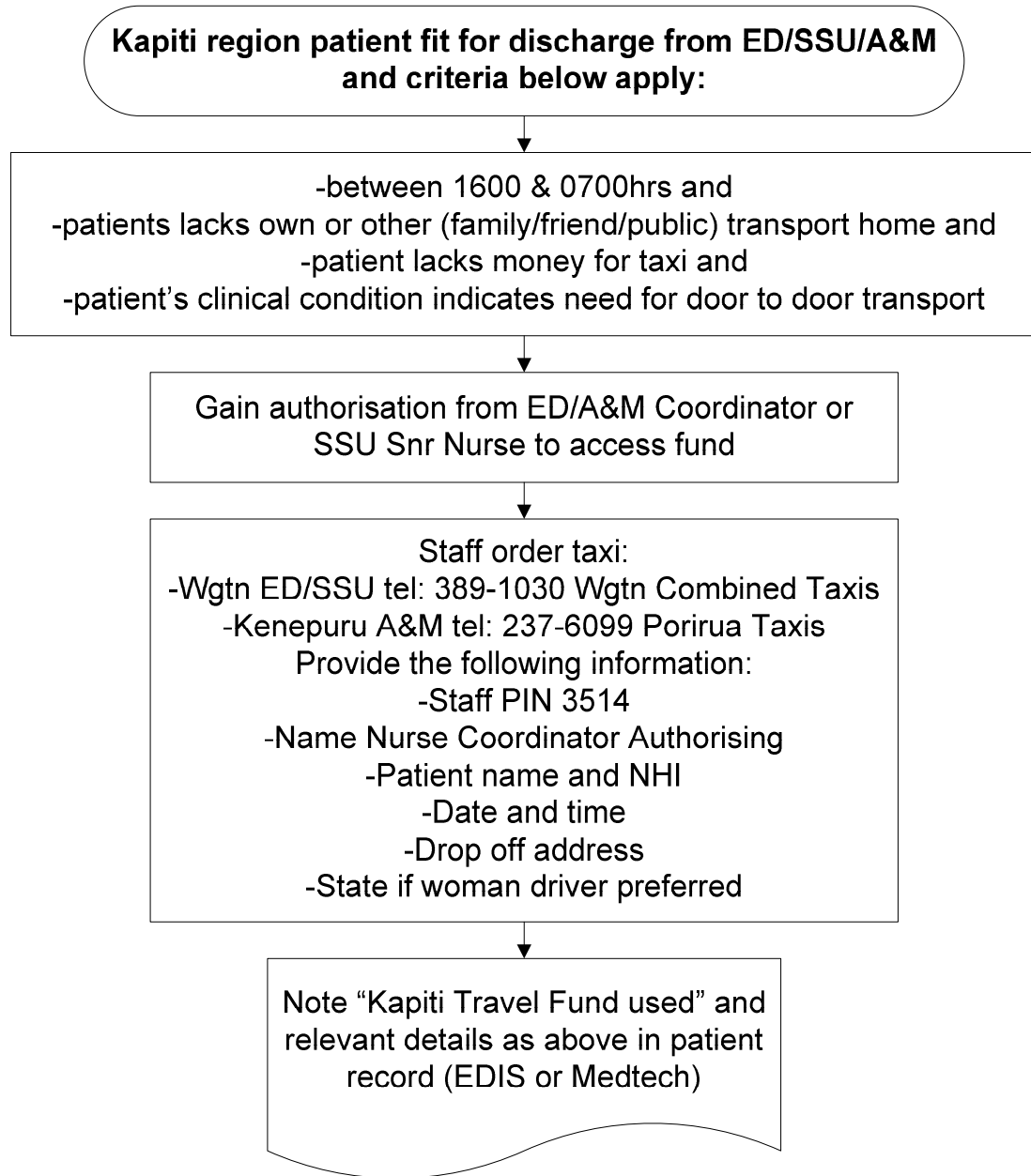
### TaxiCharge

Company contracted to provide transport services.

### Kapiti region

From and including Paekakariki to Peka Peka see Map Appendix 1.

## Procedure



## References

Paper No: FMC06/361. After Hours travel fund – Kapiti and Porirua. Paper to Management Team, November 2006.

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## Appendix 1 : Kapiti region

The area relevant to this guideline is from Paekakariki to Peka Peka inclusive.

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The map displays the coastal region from Paekakariki in the south to Otaki in the north. Key urban centers labeled include Paekakariki, Paraparaumu, Waikanae, Peka Peka, Te Horo, and Otaki. The Tasman Sea is to the west, and Kapiti Island is shown to the southwest. The map uses a light green color for land and blue for water. A network of roads and rivers is visible across the landscape.

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