FIGURE 1: PRE-ADMISSION CLINIC ALGORITHM

Multi-disciplinary team review (1 week prior to surgery)

Review Admission Form and Patient Health Questionnaire

Major surgery

Pre-existing co-morbidity*/
age>60yrs

No co-morbidity* or discharge risk

Discharge risk

Pre-existing co-morbidity*/
if age>60yrs + co-morbidity*

No co-morbidity* or discharge risk

Minor / moderate surgery

Triage process (1-2 weeks prior to surgery)

No GP/specialist involvement

Recent review by GP/specialist

Phone interview

Intervention required

Nil issues** identified

Rural/interstate patients

Cancel/postpone surgery

Safe to proceed to surgery

Day of surgery

Adverse event identified

Nil changes to patient condition

Proceed to surgery

Note: *Co-morbidity refers to any medical or social conditions or disorders; **Issues can be any medical or social conditions or discharge risks that may potentially affect hospital stay and/or patient outcomes.
FIGURE 2: TRANSFER OF CARE PATHWAY

Pre-Admission

On Admission

Transfer of Patient Care Risk Assessment

High risk

- Face-to-face interview
- Patient Discharge Checklist given by PAC
- Discharge planning
- Flags, inform NUM/referrals if required
- Admit to hospital

Low risk

- Phone interview
- Discharge planning
- Flags, inform NUM/referrals if required
- Admit to hospital

No PAC input

On the Day of Transfer

- Unplanned admission

Pre-discharge / Transfer

Day Only Procedure

Transfer of Patient Care Risk Assessment

- Flags, inform NUM/ referrals if required
- Stay > 1 night

- Patient Discharge Checklist given to patients who do not attend the PAC

Day only / single night stay

Stay > 1 night

- Multi-disciplinary team review
- Medication reconciliation
- Clinical handover given
- Nursing Discharge Checklist completed
- Patient Discharge Checklist completed
- Transport arrived

Transfer

- Home
- Rehabilitation
- Nursing home or other facility

Follow up plan

- Follow up call if needed
- GP appointment
- Specialist appointment

No PAC input

Transfer of Care Completion

Discharge planning

Discharge planning

Follow up plan

Follow up call if needed

GP appointment

Specialist appointment