

## REFERRALS CRITERIA

Territory Therapy Solutions provides collaborative and innovative physiotherapy, speech pathology, psychology and occupational therapy to clients living in Darwin, rural, remote and very remote areas in the Northern Territory. We are currently accepting referrals for clients who require a collaborative multidisciplinary approach from one or more of our allied health services in the following region/communities of the Northern Territory.

Please note that our referral acceptance criteria will be changed depending on the skills, experience, and preferences for our speech therapists, physiotherapists, and occupational therapists travelling to a regional/remote or very remote area.

Please note that all referrals received are triaged to determine urgency of need to see your client. The more information that is provided in the referral, the easier it is for us to process your referral. Please speak to our client co-ordination team for more information.

From Darwin, our therapists are travelling to the following regions/communities in the outlined schedule below.

COMMUNITY/REGION	OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	PHYSIOTHERAPY	SPEECH PATHOLOGY
<b>Alice Springs - Remote</b>	Twice monthly – alternate visits by 2 OT's		
<b>Katherine - Remote</b>	Once a month	Once a month	Once a month
<b>Tennant Creek - Very Remote</b>	Once 4-6 weeks		
<b>Tiwi Islands- Very Remote</b>	Wurrumiyanga – once a month Pirlangimpi - Upon request	Upon request	
<b>East Arnhem Communities- Very Remote</b>	Milligimbi – every 6 weeks Galinkwu – upon request Gapuwiyak – every 6 weeks		
<b>West Arnhem</b>	Gunbalayna- every 8-12 weeks		

- Very Remote			
<b>Roper Gulf -Very Remote</b>	Ngukurr- upon request Numbulwarr- upon request Minyerri- every 3 months or upon request	Ngukurr- upon request Numbulwarr- upon request	Via telehealth
<b>Big Rivers -Katherine West -Very Remote</b>	Kalkarindji/Dagaragu – upon request Yarralin – upon request Timber Creek – upon request Pidgeon Hole – upon request	Yarralin – upon request Timber Creek – upon request Pidgeon Hole – upon request	Via Telehealth

Please refer your clients who meet the criteria listed in the tables below.

## OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

REGION	ACCEPTING	NOT ACCEPTING
<b>URBAN - Darwin/Greater Darwin</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Neurological conditions: e.g., CVA, Cerebral Palsy, Spinal Cord conditions, Progressive Degenerative conditions and Functional Neurological Disorder</li> <li>Clients who require both occupational therapy, speech therapy and physiotherapy assessments and interventions.</li> <li>Hand therapy and/or splinting - for neurological conditions</li> <li>Complex home modifications</li> <li>Assistive technology assessment and activities</li> <li>Returning TTS clients, dependent on diagnosis and need.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Early intervention (0-7 years)</li> <li>Paediatrics (7-12 years)</li> <li>Adults with Autistic Spectrum Disorder</li> <li>Mental Health- Psychosocial disability</li> <li>Dementia</li> <li>Lymphedema conditions</li> <li>Clients with forensic history.</li> </ul>

<p><b>REMOTE</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neurological conditions: e.g., CVA, Cerebral Palsy, Spinal Cord conditions, Progressive Degenerative conditions, and Functional Neurological Disorder</li> <li>• Amputees</li> <li>• Clients with the above conditions who require intensive bursts of physio, occupational therapy, and speech therapy to improve functional capacity.</li> <li>• Complex home modifications</li> <li>• Assistive technology assessments and activities.</li> <li>• Hand therapy and/or splinting - for neurological conditions.</li> <li>• Returning TTS clients- dependent on diagnosis and need for intervention.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early intervention clients (0-7 years)</li> <li>• Paediatric clients (7-12 years)</li> <li>• Adults with Autistic Spectrum Disorder</li> <li>• Mental Health -Psychosocial disability</li> </ul>
<p><b>Very Remote</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paediatric clients (7-12 years)</li> <li>• Neurological conditions: e.g., CVA, Cerebral Palsy, spinal cord conditions, Progressive Degenerative conditions, Functional Neurological Disorders</li> <li>• Clients who will benefit from a collaborative multi-disciplinary occupational therapy, speech therapy or physiotherapy assessments and interventions.</li> <li>• Amputees</li> <li>• Assistive technology assessments and activities</li> <li>• Returning TTS clients, dependent on diagnosis</li> <li>• Hand therapy and/or splinting - for neurological conditions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mental Health- psychosocial disability</li> <li>• Early intervention (0-7 years)</li> <li>• Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder</li> <li>• Mental Health – psychosocial disability</li> </ul>

**PHYSIOTHERAPY**

REGION	ACCEPTING	NOT ACCEPTING
<p><b>Urban</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neurological conditions: e.g., stroke, movement disorders, cerebral palsy, spinal cord injuries, progressive degenerative and functional neurological disorders.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infants (&lt;3 years old)</li> <li>• Paediatrics (&lt;12 years old)</li> <li>• Musculoskeletal conditions</li> <li>• Dementia</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clients who will benefit from collaborative multi-disciplinary assessments and interventions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mental health</li> </ul>
<b>Remote</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vestibular assessments and treatment</li> <li>• Amputees</li> <li>• Multi-trauma from motor vehicle accidents and other causes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infants (&lt;3 years old)</li> <li>• Paediatrics (&lt;12 years old)</li> </ul>
<b>Very Remote</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neuro-respiratory conditions</li> <li>• Complex medical conditions</li> <li>• Returning TTS clients</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infants (&lt;3 years old)</li> <li>• Paediatrics (&lt;12 years old)</li> </ul>

**SPEECH PATHOLOGY**

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**DRIVING**

REGION	ACCEPTING	NOT ACCEPTING
<b>Urban</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Return to driving after illness or injury</li> <li>• Current TTS Clients</li> <li>• Heavy vehicle assessments and rehabilitation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learner Driver</li> </ul>
<b>Remote</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Return to driving after illness or injury</li> <li>• Heavy vehicle assessments and rehabilitation</li> <li>• Services offered in Darwin and Alice Springs only upon request</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learner Driver</li> </ul>
<b>Very Remote</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Return to driving after illness and injury</li> <li>• Heavy vehicle assessments and rehabilitation</li> <li>• Services offered in Darwin and Alice Springs only</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learner Driver</li> </ul>

**PSCYHOLOGY**

REGION	ACCEPTING	NOT ACCEPTING
<b>Urban</b>	NOT ACCEPTING NEW REFERRALS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complex psychosocial disabilities</li> <li>• Autism Spectrum Disorders</li> </ul>
<b>Remote</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Services offered in Darwin only</li> </ul>	

<b>Very Remote</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Services offered in Darwin only</li></ul>	
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For further queries regarding our referral criteria, please ring the office on (08) 8947 4180 and our helpful staff will answer any questions you may have.