

## HOSPITAL HOMEBOUND PROGRAM Mental Health Referral Protocol

Prior to submitting a mental health referral for Hospital Homebound service, the following criteria must be met. If this criteria cannot be met prior to referral being made, please consult with Daniel To (to d@surreyschools.ca, mobile: 778-772-4992) and you'll be invited to a brief advisory meeting on a Wednesday at 9:30 am.

- 1) A meeting with the school counsellor, parent/guardian(s) and school administration has taken place with the goal being to determine whether or not Hospital Homebound is the appropriate placement for the student.
- 2) The parent or referrer must have consulted with a therapist/counsellor from an outside agency (e.g. Child and Youth Mental Health or private) or the student must be on a wait list for a program such as Lee School and/or counselling.
- 3) Referrer consults/informs their school's District Resource Counsellor and/or District Behaviour Specialist
- 4) The Hospital Homebound Medical Form must be completed by the attending physician before Hospital Homebound support begins. The medical form is found on the District Hub website.
- 5) Active ongoing planning to transition the student back to school must take place from intake to discharge from HH, as Hospital Homebound is a service lasting three months maximum.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Appointments with the Hospital Homebound teacher will preferably take place at local libraries, nearby schools or some other public setting, rather than in homes.