



# Domiciliary Services

Due to the increasing numbers of patients using our domiciliary service and the limited funding available, we follow strict guidelines for home visits of patients. The criteria are as follows:

- Bed bound and / or incapacitated patients/Immunocompromised.
- Dementia patients or those patients for who traveling to a collection room would cause undue distress.

Ambulant patients are required to attend one of our collections rooms as a lack of transport does not qualify as a criterion for a domiciliary visit.

Among the public transport options, there is also a Health Shuttle available if necessary, which can be organized via St Johns. Additionally, our phlebotomy staff can come out to vehicles in our collection room car parks to take samples if required.

Pathlab also offers phlebotomy training for all nurses in rest homes and hospitals. If you are interested in our training programme and your nurses will be collecting samples on a regular basis please do not hesitate to contact us.

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