



# Your hospital discharge: going home

**This leaflet explains why you are being discharged from hospital and what you might expect after your discharge.**

## **Why am I being discharged from hospital?**

You are being discharged from hospital as your health team have agreed that you are now able to return home.

## **Why can't I stay in hospital?**

It is important that our hospitals are able to look after people that need hospital care. Due to this, once you no longer need care in hospital, as decided by the health team looking after you, you will be discharged. It is always our priority to discharge you to the best possible place to support your recovery.

You will not be able to remain in hospital if you choose not to accept the care that is being offered to you.

## **What can I expect?**

Your health team will discuss discharge and transport arrangements with you (and a family member, friend or carer if you wish). If you require care and support when you get home, this will be arranged.

If you need more care now than when you came into hospital, this additional care will be provided free of charge for up to six weeks to support your recovery. After this time, you may be required to contribute towards the cost of your care.

## **Who can I contact?**

After you have been discharged, if you have any concerns or need to speak to someone about your care, you can contact: **1**