

Overview of Recolo referral and assessment process

Who are Recolo?

Recolo is a community-based cognitive and behavioural neuro-rehabilitation service for children and young people (up to the age of 25) who have an acquired brain injury. Recolo is clinically led by experienced paediatric neuropsychologists, and its focus is holistic rather than purely individual in nature. In practice this means that Recolo aims to work with not just the child or young person in isolation, but with the whole family in the social context in which they live.

The Recolo team is happy to work in partnership with other services and disciplines relevant to the child or young person's life including case managers such as yourselves, speech and language therapists, schools, colleges, Connexions, CAMHS, employers etc.

About ABI

Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) is one of the most common causes of disability and mortality amongst children and young people in the UK. It is estimated that every 30 minutes in this country a child or young person will have an ABI. ABI is generally defined as an injury to the brain which happens at some stage subsequent to birth. It could result from trauma in an accident (e.g. Road traffic collision, fall, assault, etc.), an illness (e.g. meningitis or encephalitis), or from another neurological event (e.g. stroke, tumour, hypoxic or anoxic event, etc.) ABI is usually unpredictable in nature, and is therefore impossible to prepare for. The consequences, however, can be devastating and long-lasting for the individual, the family, and the wider context within which the child functions.

How does Recolo work?

When a case is referred to Recolo, the first stage is for information to be gathered through a brief questionnaire and for a member of the Recolo team to conduct an initial assessment with the young person and their family. This is done at their home location and is a detailed exploration of what the current needs and issues are. The findings of this assessment are then written up and where appropriate, recommendations and costs for further/on-going interventions are made, pending agreement by the commissioning party.

At all stages throughout a case Recolo understands the need for effective communication with the wider supporting network.



We believe that through this approach we can provide a good working partnership with all involved with clear strategies for progressing rehabilitation, providing the best in customer care, and using the clinical expertise and experience of our team of neuropsychologists.

What Recolo can provide for case managers and/or solicitors

As a provider of community-based cognitive and behavioural neuro-rehabilitation we are able to work independently and proactively. We understand the need for good communication with all relevant parties and sensitivity towards the patients and wider family's needs.

Following assessment, Recolo will provide a report as we recognise that a clear report with well explained recommendations is essential. The reports contain a thorough consideration of the background details and presenting needs, including, comprising of a brief general history, educational history, cognitive assessment, social, emotional and behavioural functioning, plus family function, observations carried out at home or at school or the completion of a behavioural diary by the parents. The report may also include findings from liaison with the case manager, solicitor and other supporting health and social care professionals in both private and public sectors.

The report will conclude with recommendations for on-going work, which can include specific treatments, as deemed appropriate – listed is an example of some of the types of treatments:

- Specific and specialised support to the child, as well as the family system caring for and supporting a child with ABI
- Behavioural management techniques and strategies
- Cognitive assessment
- Liaison with school/educational establishment and personnel, including support and consultation
- Standardised tests and questionnaires, interviews and observations, to monitor progress and outcome

Please note that we are unable to send example reports due to the risk of identifying information breach our confidentiality guidelines.



Recolo costs

(Please note that our costing structure is reviewed annually and we reserve the right to adjust the quoted costs in line with this policy as appropriate)

Initial Assessment £1650, includes written report

N.B - please note occasionally a 2 person assessment is required and then costs increase to £2420. This will depend on the complexity of the case but is always discussed with the funder prior to booking.

Intervention £480.00-£630.00 per session

Each session comprised of 3 hours, with 2 hours patient contact time and 1 hour admin (to include report writing, professional liaison)

Additional work £160 per hour

Please note that we may propose an increased level of support if we believe the case demands it.

Travel costs are based from our nearest local office at £125 per hour.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any additional queries you may have, either by phone or email as below. We look forward to working with you in the near future.

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