

# PHYSIOTHERAPY AT THE ANIMAL REHABILITATION CLINIC



**Thank you for choosing the Animal Rehabilitation Service at UCD Veterinary Referral Hospital.**

At ARC we provide the highest standards of patient care and evidence-based rehabilitation. Our highly qualified human and animal physiotherapist carefully tailors the rehabilitation plan to meet the needs of your patient. Whilst highly qualified in their field, our physiotherapists are not necessarily veterinarians. We provide physiotherapy to animals recovering from surgery or illness, along with those suffering from chronic conditions such as arthritis and for patients suffering from a wide variety of musculoskeletal and neurological conditions. Each patient undergoes a thorough assessment, and an individual rehabilitation programme is designed specifically to meet their needs and to facilitate a faster and safer return to health and mobility.

To access the ARC service, a referral request will need to be submitted for the patient under your care “the veterinary practitioner”. This referral request is made directly to the ARC clinic via the online portal service at UCD Veterinary Hospital on <https://www.ucd.ie/vthweb/vetprofessionals/referapatient/>.

Once received we will review the clinical history and schedule an appropriate referral appointment directly with the client and notify you of this appointment date. Once the session is complete our physiotherapist will issue a report to you directly via email with the assessment information and recommended therapy plan.

We do offer a physiotherapy service to inpatients of the UCD Veterinary Hospital while they remain under the care of our veterinary team. However, once discharged, and to ensure continuity of treatment, the primary care practice must refer the animal to our ARC Service. This is to ensure that it is clear to the owner, the physiotherapist, the primary practice and UCD Veterinary Hospital who is responsible for veterinary care for each individual animal.



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