

# Primary Care Physiotherapist

**Te Nīkau Health Centre's Primary Care Physiotherapy role is a pilot position. If the pilot is successful, the role may become permanent and be expanded to other sites.**

## What to expect

Expert Physiotherapy assessment, diagnosis, advice and management for anyone with new injuries or long-term bone, muscle, joint, neck or back pain or associated symptoms. If required, referrals to other services, for example, radiology, orthopaedics and laboratory are available.

The Primary Care Physiotherapist is not available for ongoing or long-term treatment and rehabilitation. Patients requiring these services will be referred to the appropriate service.

## Referral source

Self-referrals to the Primary Care Physiotherapist are encouraged. Referrals will also be accepted from other sources.

## What is the cost?

It is the same as seeing a GP or Nurse Practitioner. There are different fees for enrolled and casual patients. The full Te Whatu Ora West Coast GP fee schedule is available on our website – [wcdhb.health.nz](http://wcdhb.health.nz)

## Arranging appointments Te Nīkau Health Centre

Appointments for enrolled patients are available each week at Te Nīkau Health Centre located at 71 Water Walk Road, Greymouth as follows:

- Monday – 8:30am to 3:30pm
- Wednesday & Friday – 12:30pm to 4:00pm



Phone (03) 769 7400 and ask for the General Practice or Health Centre.



Come to the main reception at Te Nīkau Hospital & Health Centre. Our receptionists will be able to guide you through a flow chart to determine if an appointment with the Primary Care Physiotherapist is suitable for you

## Community clinics

Clinics will be held fortnightly on Thursday at Lake Brunner Clinic (Moana) and weekly either on Thursday or Friday at Poutini Waiora (Greymouth). For further information or to make a booking, contact the clinics directly as clinic hours and the type of appointments available will vary from clinic-to-clinic.