

PHYSIOTHERAPY

Work Station Set Up

Monitor

- Place monitor directly in front of you and at least 20 inches away (approx. an arm's reach)
- The top of the monitor screen should be or just below eye level
- Place monitor perpendicular to window to avoid glare if possible
- If using 2 screens ensure they are at the same height and centrally placed in front of you

Desk

- If desk height can be modified, do so to accommodate your chair position
- Avoid storing bulky items under desks

Telephone

- Use a speaker phone or head set for long conversations
- Keep it close enough to avoid repeated reaching

Documents

• Documents should be at the same height and distance from you as the monitor

Mouse

- Keep the mouse close to the keyboard to avoid overreaching.
- Try alternating hands with which you operate the mouse.
- Use keyboard short cuts to reduce extended use



Chair

- The chair should have a fiveleg base with casters that allow easy movement along the floor
- Chair height should enable your thighs to be parallel with the floor and feet rested on the floor
- A foot stool may be required if the desk is too high and can't be changed
- Ensure there is adequate support under your thighs; you may be able to adjust the seat pan
- The back rest should follow the natural curvature of your spine and provide adequate lumbar support
- Modify the tilt on the seat and the back rest to enable good seated posture
- Armrests, if provided, should be soft and allow your shoulders to relax and your elbows to stay close to your body at 90 degree

Keyboard

- Put the keyboard directly in front of you
- Your shoulders should be relaxed and your elbows close to your body at 90 degrees
- Your wrists should be straight and in-line with your forearms
- A wrist rest may be used to help maintain your wrist posture and to minimize contact stress during typing and mouse tasks

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