

PATIENT INFORMATION

PERCUTANEOUS CORONARY INTERVENTION (PCI)

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Percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI)

is a non-surgical procedure to relieve the narrowing or blockage of the coronary arteries and improve blood supply to the heart

The most common method to repair the narrowing is to stretch the wall of the arteries with a small balloon or insert a metal coil called a stent to the narrowed area as shown in images 1-3









In **Australia** the gold standard recommends that a referral be made to a cardiac rehabilitation program to prevent future events. The average cardiac rehabilitation referral rate post-PCI was **77.7%**

PCI is a very safe procedure with few complications and a **97% survival rate** within 30-days of receiving a PCI





93% of procedures resulted in a positive outcome

On average, patients required readmission in only **4.3%** of cases

