



CANADIAN STROKE BEST PRACTICE RECOMMENDATIONS

Rehabilitation, Recovery and Community Participation Following Stroke Part Three: Optimizing Activity and Community Participation following Stroke 7th Edition, 2025

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APPENDIX ONE: REHABILITATION, RECOVERY AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FOLLOWING STROKE SCIENTIFIC WRITING GROUP AND AUTHORS 2025

PART THREE: OPTIMIZING ACTIVITY AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FOLLOWING STROKE

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APPENDIX TWO: OPTIMIZING ACTIVITY AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FOLLOWING STROKE, EXTERNAL REVIEWERS 2025

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