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South Metropolitan Health Service
Fiona Stanley Fremantle Hospitals Group

Palliative Care in SMHS

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South Metropolitan Health Service respectfully acknowledges the past and present traditional owners of this land on which we are meeting, the Noongar people. It is a privilege to be standing on Noongar country.

We also acknowledge that the Aboriginal population in the South Metropolitan Health Service is diverse and includes Aboriginal people from many communities across Australia.

We also acknowledge the contributions of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians to the health and wellbeing of all people in this country we all live on and share together.



...to 'palliate'

- From a Latin word meaning 'to cloak'

Principle is covering over or reducing the 'bad effects' of something, without necessarily taking the problem away.



HISTORY

1967 – St Christopher's

1969 – “On Death and Dying”

1974 – ‘Palliative Care’

1987 – Specialty in UK

2005 – ‘Specialty’ in Australia



PALLIATIVE CARE

Progressive life limiting illness

Improving quality of life

- Symptom management
- Care planning
- 'Psychosocial/Spiritual' support
- End of life care
- Information giving

'Affirms life'

Holistic care including family

Communication is fundamental

Community interaction



'Specialist' Palliative Care

Hospital

Inpatient
Palliative Care
Unit (Hospice)

Community
Palliative Care





Referral to specialist palliative care

Prior to referring a patient for Specialist Palliative Care, review the referral criteria, triggers for referral and reason(s) for referral provided below.

[Referral to Specialist Palliative Care \(PDF 829KB\)](#)

Referral criteria



Triggers for referral



Palliative care referral



Related links

- [Specialist palliative care referral](#)
- [Guide to specialist palliative care services](#)
- [Patient referral scenarios for General Practitioners](#)

Source: http://ww2.health.wa.gov.au/Articles/S_T/Specialist-palliative-care-referrals



Palliative Care Fiona Stanley Fremantle Hospital Group (FSFHG)

Consultants

Advanced
trainee

Doctors in
Training (DiTs)

Clinical Nurse
Consultants
(CNCs)

Clinical Nurse
(CN)

Social Work

Pharmacist

Pastoral Care
Service



South Metropolitan Health Service (SMHS)

Rockingham Palliative Care

- Inpatient consultation
- Outpatient service including 'rapid access' appointments

Peel Health Campus Palliative Care

- Inpatient consultation





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