

Redcliffe Hospital

Nursing & Midwifery Fact Sheet

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Established in 1965, the hospital has a proud tradition of caring for its community. Today, the hospital continues that tradition as it delivers healthcare to a rapidly growing part of South East Queensland.

Redcliffe Hospital's catchment area incorporates an area from Brighton up to Deception Bay, and west to Kallangur, including North Lakes. Since 1965, the Hospital has been growing in size, staffing, and service delivery as we continue to meet the evolving and changing healthcare needs of our community.



Redcliffe Hospital is a 250-bed regional hospital spread across a campus which now includes the Moreton Bay Integrated Care Centre (MBICC). In serving our community, the hospital provides healthcare services including medical, surgical, orthopaedic, cancer care, renal dialysis, maternity, neonatal, rehabilitation, older persons care, palliative care, paediatrics, and emergency care.

Medical Service Line

Rehabilitation and Stroke (RAS)

The Rehabilitation and Stroke unit includes 14 adult rehabilitation beds and 6 adult stroke beds. The majority of patients are from the elderly age group. After stroke patients are stabilised, they are transferred to a rehabilitation bed. The unit aims to restore patients to their maximum level of function and independence and support decision making about accommodation, community services and vocational and lifestyle choices. The multidisciplinary team works with the patient, family, carers, and service providers to optimize outcomes after their illness or injury. Patients are admitted from wards across Redcliffe Hospital and other facilities. This is not a drug or alcohol rehabilitation unit.

4 West

Ward 4 West is an acute 30 bed medical ward providing comprehensive inpatient care. The ward supports three different models of care, with the nursing team working across all areas.

- Medical Assessment Unit (MAU) – providing safety and efficiency in the admission process
- Coronary Care Unit / High Care Medical Unit (CCU / HCMU) – 4 Beds- provides full cardiac monitoring

4 East

Ward 4 East is a general medical ward specialising in acute aged care, delirium and dementia and bariatric care. The 26-bed unit includes an 8 bed Dementia and Falls Unit (DAFU) providing a separate, calm ward environment for patients assessed as having delirium, confusion, wandering or other behavioural symptoms of cognition impairment / dementia and / or a high risk of falls and who would otherwise require constant patient observation are given priority to this unit. The ward has a strong multi-disciplinary team focus to provide effective acute treatment and discharge planning.

5 East

Ward 5 East is a 348bed acute medical ward admitting general medical patients and specialising in respiratory and gastroenterology medicine. The unit discharges over 200 patients per month.

6 East

Ward 6 East is a 26-bed acute medical ward admitting general medical patients and specialising in Oncology, Eating Disorders and Covid positive patients. The eastern end of the ward is designed for Covid positive patients, and the unit can provide care for up to 11 Covid positive patients at a time.

Oncology

The Redcliffe Cancer Care Services and Day Treatment unit is a 10-chair outpatient unit. The Day unit provides ambulatory care for medical and radiation oncology and palliative care patients requiring treatment including associated complications related to treatment. These include but are not limited to, the administration of drug and chemotherapy regimens, blood products, education and support for patients and their significant others. The Cancer Care and Day Infusion Service provides the Redcliffe Hospital and community an agreed ambulatory day infusion service (drug infusions, electrolyte infusions and blood product administration) for non-malignancy patients from other service groups, which include, Rheumatology, Gastroenterology, Neurology, Respiratory, Gynaecology and Urology.

Palliative Care

The Redcliffe Palliative Care Unit aims to provide the best quality of life possible for patients and their family during their hospitalisation. The service recognises that the experience through this time in a person's life is a physical, emotional, social, spiritual, and cultural process that is unique for each individual and their families. The palliative care unit is a 16-bed unit.

Medical Outreach Service

The MSL-Outreach Service is an integrated hospital avoidance/substitution, patient flow support service under the medical governance of Medicine Service Line. The purpose of the MSL-Outreach Service is to reduce demand for hospital-based services and provide acute care and supportive care in the most appropriate environment.

Surgical Service Line

Operating Theatres

Operating Theatres has seven operating theatres, one theatre is routinely allocated to emergencies and operates 24/7. All seven theatres operate during normal business hours (0800 to 1700 Monday to Friday). Two theatres are available on Saturday and Sunday to respond to emergencies and orthopaedic trauma surgery. The 7 Operating Theatres provide a combination of Elective, Emergency and Trauma surgeries/procedures within the Surgical Sub-specialties of

- General Surgery
- Colo-rectal Surgery
- Orthopaedics
- Urology
- ENT
- Gynaecology and surgical obstetrics

Post Acute Care Unit (PACU)

Post Acute Care Unit (PACU) which operates 24/7 and consists of 10 stage 1 post anaesthetic care unit bays.

Day Procedure and Endoscopy Unit

Day Procedure Unit and Endoscopy Procedural Services which operates Monday to Friday 0600-2000. The unit is responsible for the pre and post procedural care of surgical patients along with the pre, intra and post procedural care of patients undergoing Endoscopy procedures. Endoscopy Services includes booking office, Gastroenterology surveillance, and follow up.

Central Sterilising Unit

Central Sterilising Department services Redcliffe hospital and Community oral health in the reprocessing of Reusable Medical Devices (RMD). The department provides a 7 day a week service operating continuously from 07.00 hrs Monday until 2300 hrs Friday each week with Weekend and Public Holidays service from 07.00 – 20.30 hrs.

Inpatient Wards - 5west Surgical And 6west Orthopaedics

5 West Surgical and 6 West Orthopaedic Inpatient Wards that provide comprehensive in-patient care, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for both planned and acute surgical and orthopaedic patients. The inpatient units care for General Surgical, Urological, Colorectal, Gynaecological and Orthopaedic patients.

Specialist Outpatients Department (SOPD)

Specialist Outpatients department (SOPD) provides patients with public and bulk billed (no out of pocket cost) Specialist Outpatient services that support the activities of Redcliffe Hospital. SOPD Clinics provide assessment and management of conditions which require specialist opinion above those available within the primary health care setting. The SOPD also offers Pre-Admission Clinic (PAC) for patients who require “face to face”, telehealth or phone preoperative assessment and education prior to undergoing surgery or endoscopic procedures. In addition, the SOPD offer minor procedural clinics within Urology, Surgery, Ear Nose and Throat and Gynaecology specialities.

Surgical Supporting Services

Supporting Services – Theatre Bookings, Wound Management Stomal Therapy, Acute Pain Management Services

Critical Care Services

Intensive Care

The Redcliffe Hospital Intensive Care Unit is a level 5 eight bedded Unit caring for critically unwell adult patients and paediatric patients. The Intensive Care Unit has a well-supported new graduate Registered Nurse program. The Intensive Care Unit is in scope for Redcliffe Hospital expansion due to open in 2028 with a significant increase in Intensive Care and High Dependency beds.

Previous experience with ventilation and dialysis would be well regarded.

Medical Imaging

The Medical Imaging Department provides imaging and image-guided procedures to all areas within Redcliffe Hospital. Services include diagnostic scans, and therapeutic & interventional procedures using X-ray, US, CT, MRI, Digital Fluoroscopy / Angiography. The Nursing service supports the provision of diagnostic imaging and interventional services, and to provide appropriate and effective nursing care to all patients attending the department during rostered hours.

Emergency

The Redcliffe Emergency Department is designated a Level Four (4) facility (CSCF) within the Metro North Hospital and Health Service. The emergency department provides a 24 hour, 7 day a week service to adult and paediatric patients presenting with minor injuries and illness to life threatening illness. Patients present through either self-referral or are referred from GP's, Residential Aged Care Facilities, and other health care providers. We provide emergency care to patients predominantly from the Moreton Bay Region. The emergency department is located on the ground floor to the left of the main hospital.

Women's and Children's Services

Neonatal

The Neonatal Unit at Redcliffe Hospital is currently part of the broader Maternity Services. The Neonatal unit is situated alongside the Post-Natal Ward and currently has 8 funded cots with 10 cot spaces and a strong family-centred model of care. Neonatal Unit services are included in the future Redcliffe Hospital expansion.

Maternity

Redcliffe Maternity Services provides multidisciplinary public and private antenatal, intrapartum, postpartum and neonatal care to approximately 1550 women per year.

The service includes a variety of inpatient and outpatient models of care for low, medium and selected high risk pregnant women, newborns and their families. The model includes Obstetricians, Obstetric Medicine, Midwifery, Neonatal Nurse Practitioner, Paediatrician and/or General Practitioner (GP) led care, as well as a range of childbirth and parenting education programs and home maternity services.

All birthing services are provided onsite at the Redcliffe Hospital campus regardless of model of care – core midwifery models or group practice. Unwell, compromised and/or high-risk neonates are cared for in the Neonatal Unit (NNU) at Redcliffe Hospital. A proportion of these babies may be transferred to a Tertiary Centre (RBWH, Mater Mothers, SCUH or QCH) if required.

The collaborative service is underpinned by a range of allied health professionals including Lactation Services, Social Work, Dietetics, Diabetic Education, Occupational Therapy, Speech Pathology and Physiotherapy, Obstetric Care, Obstetric Medicine.

Paediatric Unit

The Redcliffe Paediatric Inpatient unit is a 14-bed dedicated inpatient unit for paediatric patients. The Paediatric Unit is supported by a Clinical Nurse Consultant Paediatrics, a Paediatric outpatient service, Intensive Care unit and tertiary services at Queensland Children's Hospital.

Nursing Workforce

Nursing Support Unit

The Nursing Support Unit acts as the permanent flexible workforce for Redcliffe Hospital. Registered Nurses are provided a roster and are allocated to a clinical area based on workforce demand for that shift. Potential applicants would have experience working in at least two areas (for example medical and surgical) and would be available to work a complement of early, late, and night shifts and be available 7-days/week.

Casual Pool

Registered Nurses and Midwives can provide their availability for shifts and are booked for a shift into a clinical area based on workforce demand. Potential applicants would have experience working in at least two areas (for example medical and surgical) or be experienced in their specialty field (for example, ICU nurse or scrub/scout). Our ideal applicant would be available to work minimum one shift a fortnight to remain active on the casual pool.

Transit Lounge

The Transit Lounge can accommodate 10 seated patients and has a two-bed bay. It provides a safe environment with experienced nursing staff that will provide nursing care when required as well as assistance with transferring mobility impaired patients to vehicles. The Transit Lounge has built a positive rapport with community service providers and coordinates transport of patients with Centacare, Be, Bribie Island Transport, CATS, St. Johns and B&W Taxi Service. The Metro North Health Northern Hub also sits within the Transit Lounge space; this role is responsible for the receiving and submission of all QAS bookings for eligible patients located at Redcliffe, Caboolture, Kilcoy, The Prince Charles Hospital, Brighton Health Campus and other Community and Oral Health facilities.

The Discharge Planning and Coordination Unit (DPCU) is a team of nurses dedicated to facilitating patient transition from hospital to home. The Discharge Coordinators will assist staff plan for discharge by leading best practice discharge planning across Redcliffe Hospital and by supporting clinicians with discharge planning. Discharge planning is essential in reducing readmission rates and providing improved long-term patient outcomes. The unit will work collaboratively with the interdisciplinary teams and community services to support patients' safe transition to their home.

Please refer to the Redcliffe Hospital website for further information [Redcliffe Hospital | Metro North Health](#)