

Joan Kirner Women's and Children's at Sunshine Hospital

Important Service Update from Western Health

Western Health is planning for a safe and successful transition to the new Joan Kirner Women's and Children's at Sunshine Hospital, scheduled to commence clinical operations from Wednesday 15th May, 2019.

The Joan Kirner Women's and Children's will consolidate inpatient and outpatient women's and children's services at Western Health and enable more women and families in Melbourne's west to give birth and access services closer to home.

Located on the eastern side of the Sunshine Hospital site, the new building is in between the Radiation Therapy Centre and the Community Based Rehabilitation Centre.

With 20 birthing rooms, 39 newborn services cots, 64 women's inpatient beds, 32 children's inpatient beds, four operating theatres, one procedure room and a large range of outpatient clinic areas, services within the new building will gradually scale up to full capacity. Some services will be new and others will move from the Sunshine Hospital. This increased physical capacity will provide opportunities for future service expansion to meet the growing needs of Melbourne's West.

The new Joan Kirner Women's and Children's is approximately 22,000 square meters and has eight levels above ground and one basement level. The building is designed to be family friendly with a focus on easy access to services and keeping families together, and provides a comfortable and welcoming environment which recognises the needs of the growing community.

Western Health's new Joan Kirner Women's and Children's at Sunshine Hospital will offer the best environment for women, children and families; in a family-centred space with excellent facilities for staff and volunteers.



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Clinical Scope and Facilities

Floor	Clinical Scope	Facilities
Eight	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women's Inpatient Ward 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indoor/Outdoor Room
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Six	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children's Ward 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children's Playground & Outdoor Terrace
Five	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newborn Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support Person Accommodation Rooms Outdoor Terrace
Four	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinical Directorate 	
Three	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maternity Assessment Centre Birthing 	
Two	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operating Theatres Central Sterilising Supply Department 	
One	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women's Specialist Clinics (Maternity & Gynaecology) Early Pregnancy Assessment Service (EPAS) Maternal Fetal Medicine Integrated Ultrasound Service Genetics 	
Ground	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paediatric & Neonatal Specialist Clinics Paediatric Allied Health Satellite Pharmacy Pathology Collection Centre Patient Information Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to Sunshine Hospital cafeteria Coffee cart located in the link corridor Feeding Room Outdoor Play Area Patient Information Centre

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Detailed Service Overview

Maternity Services

Service Overview and Patient Profile

Western Health's Maternity Services provide an all-risk model of maternity care encompassing the pre-conception, antenatal, intrapartum, and postnatal periods.

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Service	Service Description	Location
Maternity Specialist Clinics	<p>The Maternity Specialist Clinics provide an all risk pregnancy care model. Services provided include obstetric, midwifery, allied health and sub-specialty medical clinics including; obstetric medicine, diabetes and endocrine clinics and genetic and thalassemia counselling for pregnant couples.</p> <p>In recognition of the need to provide integrated, co-ordinated and patient-centred healthcare, a number of the clinics utilise multidisciplinary care teams.</p> <p>Midwifery Group Practice (MGP) and Shared Maternity Care models are also available, in addition to a free influenza, adult diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (dTpa) immunisation service for all antenatal women accessing maternity services at Western Health.</p> <p>Referral guidelines and referral forms for the Maternity Specialist Clinics can be found on the WH Internet and on Melbourne HealthPathways.</p>	JKWC Level One
Maternal Fetal Medicine (MFM), Genetics, & Obstetric Ultrasound	<p>The MFM Unit is a multidisciplinary subspecialist branch of Obstetrics that provides outpatient and inpatient services to women with the most complex of pregnancies. Complexities can be due to rare maternal medical disorders or fetal problems such as fetal anomalies, severe growth restriction or aneuploidy, which are likely to have an impact on either maternal or perinatal morbidity and/or mortality.</p> <p>The clinical service provided includes ultrasound based diagnosis and investigation of fetal anomalies; counselling regarding prognosis and pregnancy options for women with fetal anomalies or genetic disorders. Genetic consulting services are also provided in MFM.</p>	JKWC Level One

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Service	Service Description	Location
Integrated Ultrasound Service (IUS)	IUS provides an inpatient and outpatient ultrasound service for gynaecology, paediatric and obstetric patients, including women attending the MFM Unit. The service is staffed by a multi-disciplinary team including; Sonographers, Radiologists, Sonologists, MFM Fellow, Obstetric Registrars, an Ultrasound Assistant, Specialist Clinic Administration Officer's (SCAO) and a Central Sterilising Services Department (CSSD) Technician.	JKWC Level One
Early Pregnancy Assessment Service (EPAS)	<p>The EPAS provides specialist ambulatory care to the clinically stable woman presenting with pain and/or bleeding in the first sixteen completed weeks of her pregnancy. The service is staffed by registered nurses (RN), gynaecology registrars, consultants, sonographers and sonologists.</p> <p>Services provided include early pregnancy assessment and diagnostic testing, counselling, and management planning.</p> <p>Booked appointments are available from 08:30 – 12:00 Monday to Friday. Between 12:30 - 17:00 Monday to Friday, a walk in service is available for women presenting to the Sunshine Hospital Emergency Department.</p> <p>Referral guidelines and referral forms for EPAS can be found on the WH Internet and on Melbourne HealthPathways.</p>	JKWC Level One
Maternity Assessment Centre (MAC)	<p>The MAC provides assessment and management of pregnant women greater than 16 weeks gestation and women less than 6 weeks postpartum.</p> <p>The MAC functions as both an inpatient and ambulatory unit, providing care for both planned and unplanned presentations, including maternity triage for all unplanned presentations.</p> <p>The MAC operates in conjunction with the Birthing Service to provide care to women across the continuum of pregnancy, labour and birth and postpartum period.</p>	JKWC Level Three
Birthing Service	<p>The Birthing Service provides high risk antenatal care; intrapartum care and immediate postnatal care, as well as care for women who require a higher level of care due to complications of birth or co-morbidities exacerbated by pregnancy and/or birth.</p> <p>The Birthing Service operates in conjunction with the MAC to provide care for women across the continuum of pregnancy, labour and birth.</p>	JKWC Level Three

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Service	Service Description	Location
Maternity Surgical Services	<p>Maternity Surgical Services provide a comprehensive range of general and specialist elective and emergency obstetric surgical services for women in the antenatal, intrapartum and post-partum periods.</p> <p>Referrals for elective maternity surgery are made via the Maternity Specialist Clinics.</p>	JKWC Level Two
Maternity Inpatient Services	The women's inpatient wards provide both antenatal and postnatal maternity care, with the majority of admissions for postnatal care following birth.	JKWC Levels Seven & Eight
Domiciliary Services (Maternity @ Home)	The Maternity @ Home service provides ongoing care to women and their newborns in the community environment following discharge from the maternity inpatient setting, for up to two weeks post birth.	JKWC

Gynaecology Services

Service Overview and Patient Profile

Western Health's Gynaecology Services provide a comprehensive range of general and specialist gynaecological services for women across the lifespan. The service does not currently provide any dedicated paediatric or adolescent ambulatory services.

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Service	Service Description	Location
Gynaecology Specialist Clinics	<p>The Gynaecology Specialist Clinics provide general gynaecology services in addition to a range of specialist services, including colposcopy, urogynaecology, incontinence and urodynamics, gynaecological oncology, trial of void, family planning/fertility services and women's physiotherapy.</p> <p>In recognition of the need to provide integrated, co-ordinated and patient-centred healthcare, a number of the clinics utilise multidisciplinary care teams. Referral guidelines and referral forms for the Gynaecology Specialist Clinics can be found on the WH Internet and on Melbourne HealthPathways.</p>	JKWC Level One
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Gynaecology Surgical Services	<p>Gynaecology Surgical Services provide general gynaecology services in addition to a range of specialist services, including basic and advanced laparoscopy, hysteroscopy, gynaecological oncology, urogynaecology, and management of early pregnancy complications including ectopic pregnancy and miscarriage.</p> <p>Referrals for elective gynaecological surgery are made via the Gynaecology Specialist Clinics.</p>	JKWC Level Two

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Service	Service Description	Location
Gynaecology Inpatient Services	<p>The Early Pregnancy and Gynaecology Inpatient Service (EPAG) provides elective and emergency gynaecology inpatient services for women across the lifespan, including management of complications arising in early pregnancy (first sixteen completed weeks of pregnancy).</p> <p>Women requiring overnight accommodation following gynaecological surgery are cared for by the EPAG inpatient service, as well as women undertaking planned medical admissions, and those referred from the Sunshine Hospital Emergency Department.</p>	JKWC Level Seven

Newborn Services

Service Overview and Patient Profile

Western Health's Newborn Services provides inpatient, ambulatory and home based services for neonates and infants. Service provision includes inpatient care for unwell neonates, a consultancy-based model within maternity clinical areas, an outpatient service for high risk neonates follow-up post discharge and as a Hospital in the Home model for neonates requiring ongoing nursing support and education.

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Service	Service Description	Location
Neonatal Specialist Clinics	<p>The Neonatal Specialist Clinics provide integrated, multidisciplinary care for neonates, infants and children aged two years and under with general neonatal medical conditions which require input from a neonatologist.</p> <p>Services provided include a rapid review clinic for neonates who have recently been discharged from Newborn Services and may be receiving domiciliary or Hospital in the Home (HITH) care from WH, and a growth and developmental monitoring service.</p> <p>Referral guidelines and referral forms for the Neonatal Specialist Clinics can be found on the WH Internet and on Melbourne HealthPathways.</p>	JKWC Ground Floor
Newborn Services	<p>The Newborn Services inpatient unit provides care for neonates with a range of needs and degrees of prematurity. Service provision includes continuous life support where required, management of critical and non-critical non-surgical conditions, comprehensive multidisciplinary care and parent support and education prior to discharge home.</p>	JKWC Level Five
Neonatal Hospital in the Home (HITH)	<p>Neonatal HITH is the continuation of care for neonates who meet defined criteria and still require some degree of nursing management in the setting of their own home.</p> <p>Medical review of Neonatal HITH patients can occur in Neonatal and Paediatric Rapid Review Clinics, or via telephone consultation outside of hours.</p>	JKWC

Paediatric Services

Service Overview and Patient Profile

Western Health's Paediatric Services provide emergency, ambulatory, inpatient and community services across the continuum of care for infants, children and adolescents aged 17 years and under.

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Service	Service Description	Location
Paediatric Emergency Service	The Sunshine Hospital Emergency Department provides dedicated paediatric emergency services, including triage, initial assessment, stabilisation, referral and management of children and adolescents presenting with acute and urgent illnesses and injuries.	Sunshine Hospital Emergency Department
Paediatric Specialist Clinics	<p>The Paediatric Specialist Clinics provide a range of general and sub-speciality medical and surgical services for children and adolescents, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adolescent Health • Allied Health • Cardiology • Dermatology • Developmental & Behavioural • Endocrinology • Ear, Nose & Throat (ENT) • General Medicine • General Surgery • Growth & Nutrition • Orthopaedics • Plastics • Young Adults Diabetes Service (YADS) <p>In recognition of the need to provide integrated, co-ordinated and patient-centred healthcare, a number of the clinics utilise multidisciplinary care teams.</p> <p>Referral guidelines and referral forms for the Paediatric Specialist Clinics can be found on the WH Internet and on Melbourne HealthPathways.</p>	JKWC Ground Floor
Paediatric Allied Health	<p>Paediatric allied health ambulatory services are provided through integrated multidisciplinary team clinics in the Paediatric and Neonatal Specialist Clinics, including neonatal medicine, orthopaedic, growth and nutrition, autism assessment and YADS clinics.</p> <p>Stand-alone paediatric allied health clinics are also provided, including audiology, assessment/management of hip dysplasia, hand therapy, feeding difficulties, malnutrition and developmental delays.</p> <p>Referral guidelines and referral forms for the Paediatric Specialist</p>	JKWC Ground Floor

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Service	Service Description	Location
	<p>Clinics can be found on the WH Internet and on Melbourne HealthPathways.</p>	
Paediatric Surgical Services	<p>Paediatric Surgical Services provide a limited range of elective and emergency general and sub-specialty surgical services for children and adolescents. Neonatal surgical services are not currently provided.</p> <p>Surgical services are provided in the specialty areas of ENT, Orthopaedics, Plastics and General Surgery.</p> <p>Referrals for elective paediatric surgery are made via the Paediatric Specialist Clinics.</p>	JKWC Level Two
Paediatric Inpatient Services	<p>The Children's Ward provides general paediatric medical and surgical inpatient services to newborns, infants, children and adolescents aged 17 years and under.</p> <p>The majority of paediatric medical patients are admitted with common conditions that require a short length of stay between one and three days, such as bronchiolitis, asthma and gastroenteritis.</p> <p>The majority of paediatric surgical patients are admitted post elective ENT surgery, orthopaedic surgery, and general surgery.</p>	JKWC Level Six

Joan Kirner Women's and Children's at Sunshine Hospital Contact Information

Service Area		Contact Information
General Enquiries	Sunshine Hospital	Sunshine Hospital 176 Furlong Road St Albans VIC 3021 Phone: 8345 1724 / 8345 1730
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Sunshine Hospital Emergency Department	<p>Adult, paediatric and neonatal emergencies.</p> <p>All paediatric, neonatal and gynaecology emergencies are to present to the Sunshine Hospital Emergency Department.</p> <p>Pregnant women greater than 16 weeks gestation with pregnancy related complaints are to present directly to the Joan Kirner Women's and Children's Maternity Assessment Centre at Sunshine Hospital (24 hour service)</p> <p>Pregnant women less than 16 completed weeks gestation are to present directly to the Sunshine Hospital Emergency Department.</p>	<p>Phone: 8345 1596</p> <p>Note: for all emergencies please call 000</p>
Specialist Clinics	Women's Maternity and Gynaecology Specialist Clinics	<p>Phone: 8345 1727 (effective 16/4/19)</p> <p>Fax: 9055 2125 (effective 16/4/19)</p> <p>Email: wandclinics@wh.org.au (effective 1/5/19)</p>
	Paediatric and Neonatal Specialist Clinics	<p>Phone: 8345 1727 (effective 16/4/19)</p> <p>Fax: 9055 2125 (effective 16/4/19)</p> <p>Email: wandclinics@wh.org.au (effective 1/5/19)</p>