

The **Australian Charter of Healthcare Rights** are your rights as a consumer using the Australian Healthcare system.

You have the right to:

- Health care you need.
- Safe high quality care.
- Be treated with respect and dignity.
- Clear understandable information.
- Ask questions about your treatment.
- Say what happens to your personal information.
- Give positive or negative feedback or make a complaint.
- Ask for an interpreter if you need one.

Ask a staff member for a copy of the Charter.



Operating hours: Monday to Friday
8.00am-5.45pm

How to get here

Location: 176 Furlong Rd, St Albans, Victoria 3021

Train

Ginifer Railway Station, on the Sydenham Line, is a ten minute walk from the centre.

Bus

Bus no. 408 stops in front of the Sunshine Hospital emergency department.

Volunteer and Ambulance transport

Can be arranged for eligible patients when other transport is not practical.

Car

There is easy access from the Western and Northern suburbs via the M80 Ring road. (Furlong Road exit)

Parking

Car parking is available on the hospital grounds. Parking costs are covered by SHRTC for treatment appointments.

Sunshine Hospital Radiation Therapy Centre



Guide for Patients

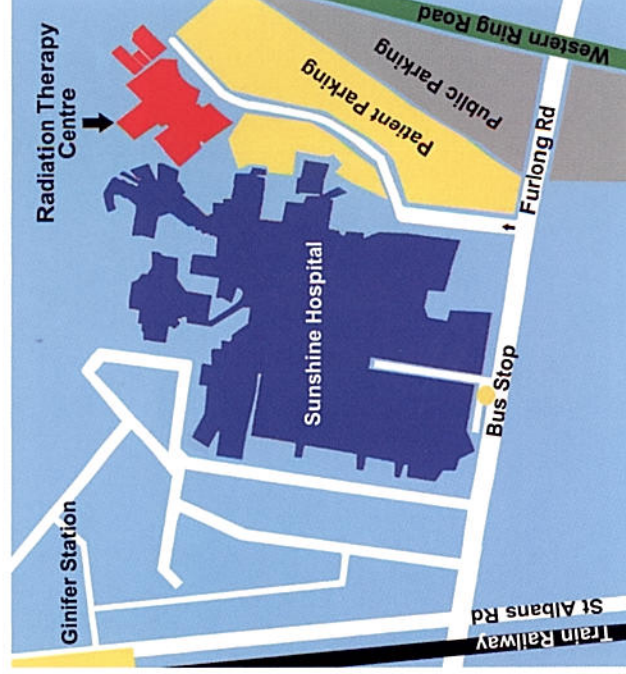


Western Health



A partnership between Western Health and
Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre

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About Sunshine Hospital Radiation Therapy Centre

Sunshine Hospital Radiation Therapy Centre (SHRTC) is a partnership between Western Health and Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre. We provide radiation therapy services to the Western suburbs of Melbourne.

What is radiation therapy?

Radiation therapy is the use of radiation (x-rays) to treat cancer. It has been prescribed by your specialist doctor – a radiation oncologist – as part of your treatment program.

Where appropriate, radiation therapy is used to treat many different forms of cancer including (but not limited to) skin, breast, prostate, lung and rectal cancers. Radiation therapy may be given on its own, or with other forms of treatment such as chemotherapy or surgery.

Our Facilities

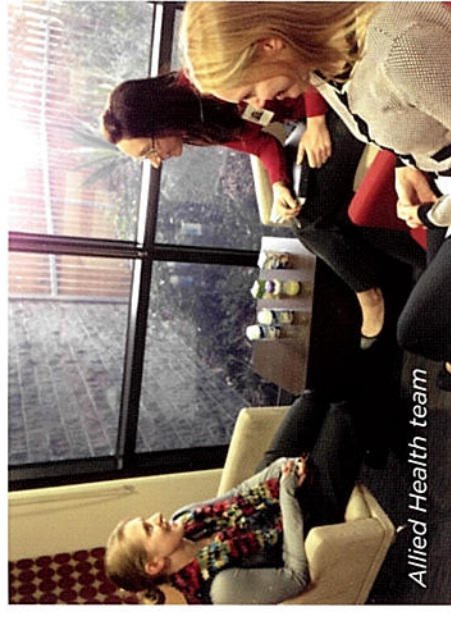
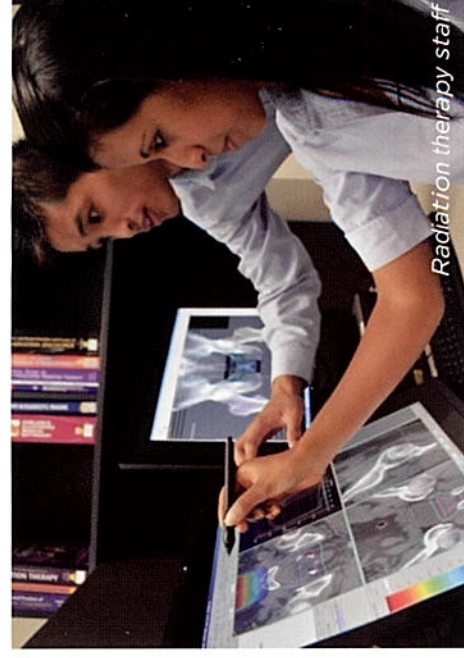
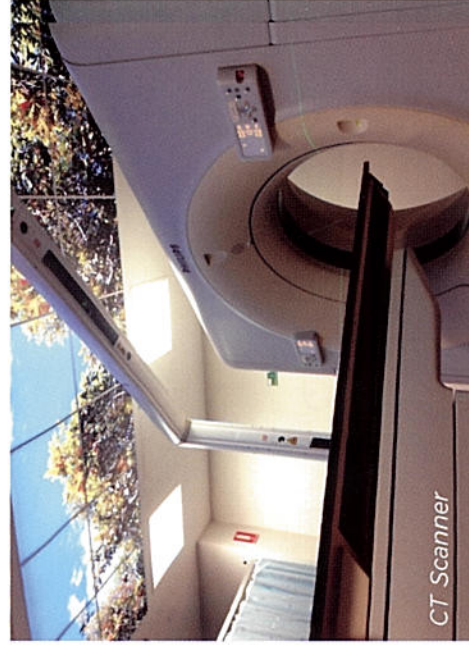
- We have world class radiation therapy planning and treatment delivery facilities with:
- Two state-of-the-art treatment machines (linear accelerators)
 - CT Scanner for radiation therapy planning
 - Specialist treatment machine used to treat some skin cancers

The centre is surrounded by beautiful gardens and the building design promotes a sense of calmness and well-being.

We are a public health service provider and no payment is required for Medicare eligible patients.

Our Staff

Our team of radiation oncologists, radiation therapists and physicists (professionals who work with the doctor to design your treatment plan and deliver your treatment), nurses and allied health staff, together deliver a high quality cancer service and are involved in education and research.



Nursing and Supportive Care

The nurses and allied health team offer support for patients and their families including:

- Nursing (including support to quit smoking)
- Psychology (emotional support)
- Physiotherapy and occupational therapy (physical support)
- Dietitian (to help with your eating)
- Social work (to help with financial and social concerns)
- Speech therapy (to help with communication)
- Pain management and palliative care clinic
- Interpreters can be provided as requested



Call us to book an interpreter



Partnering with Consumers