

Why are patients admitted to our Specialist Palliative Care Unit?

There are three reasons for inpatient admission:

- For the purpose of stabilising and better controlling symptoms (e.g. nausea, pain, constipation) so that the patient is then able to continue with care in their home.
- Hospice care for the dying: for those patients who need a lot of support, above that which can be comfortably provided at home.
- For periods of respite care for the family, carers and for the patient.

Palliative Care Enhancement Council

The Palliative Care Enhancement Council is a small panel of Wagga Wagga community members who have been working for many years to support the establishment of a Specialist Palliative Care Unit to care for public and private palliative patients from across the Riverina.

The members have welcomed the commitment by Calvary Riverina Hospital to provide specialist palliative care for both public and private patients in a purpose built unit at Calvary Riverina Hospital.

The Council has been formed under the auspices of Calvary Riverina Hospital to raise money and accept donations and bequests to ensure that care and comfort is the best it can possibly be for palliative patients and their loved ones.

About Palliative Care

Palliative care is the care of people living with a life limiting condition.

The goal of palliative care is to improve quality of life, maximise comfort and care.

Palliative Care requires comprehensive care planning. Every person has different and often complex needs.

This is why it is vital to have specialised Palliative Care staff who are trained to identify and manage not only the physical but also emotional, spiritual and social wellbeing of patients and their loved ones.

With the growth and ageing of Australia's population, and an increase of chronic and generally incurable illnesses, the types of patient groups requiring palliative care has widened.

How will your donations be used?

All donations are held in a specific account ensuring funds are used for the purpose of palliative care enhancement.

Donations may be used for:

- Specialised equipment to enhance patient comfort
- Patient and family resources
- Education and research

Your suggestions for use of funds to enhance care are welcome. Please be assured that no matter how large or small, your donation will make a difference to palliative care.

Funds donated are not used for capital/building development.



How donations can be made?

Option 1

By completing this form and sending to:

Calvary Riverina Hospital
PO Box 618
WAGGA WAGGA NSW 2650

I would like to donate \$..... to the Calvary Specialist Palliative Care Unit by:

enclosed cheque OR credit card.

Card No.

CCV Number

What is a CCV number?



Name on Card.

Expiry Date

Signature

Option 2

Secure online donations by visiting our website:
www.calvaryriverina.org.au

Option 3

By cash, cheque or EFTPOS at our main reception or the Mary Potter Palliative Care Nurses Station.

Option 4

Direct Deposit the donations fund as follows:

Name: CHCR Gift Fund

BSB: 062-614 **ACC:** 10263386

Reference: PC Your Name
(Eg. PC John Smith)

Acknowledgement Information

Please let us know where we can send a letter of appreciation and official receipt (donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible)

Your name:

Address:

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In honour of:

Thank you, your donation is greatly appreciated