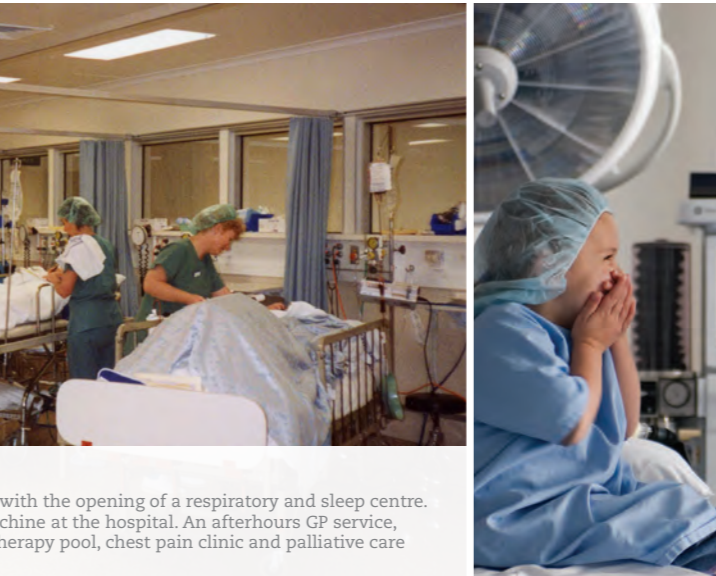
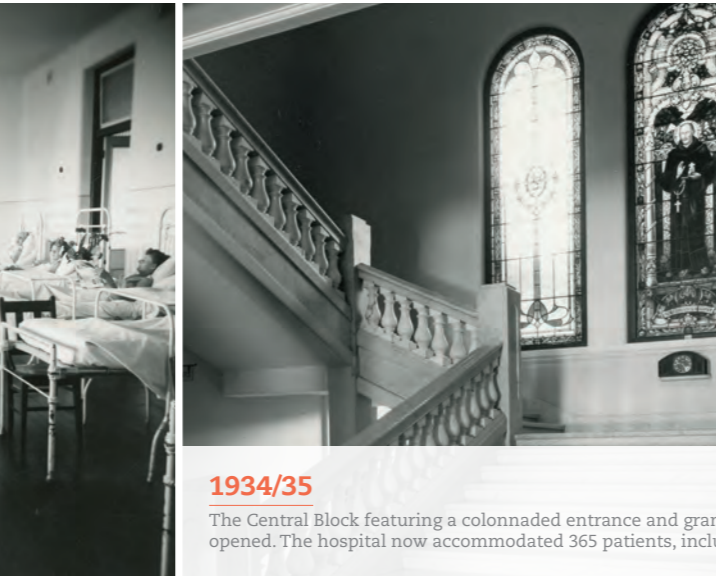
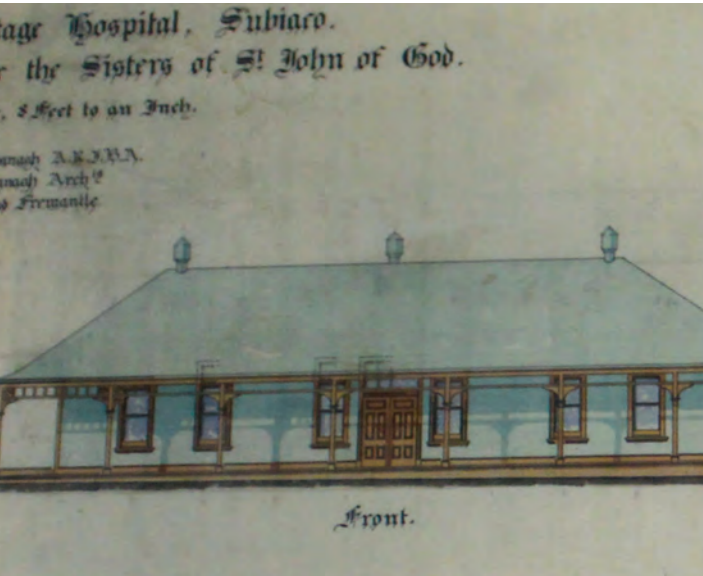


Providing hospitality, hope and healing to Western Australians since 1898



1890 1900 1910 1920 1930 1940 1950 1960 1970 1980 1990 2000 2010 2020 and beyond

1898
St John of God Subiaco Hospital opened on 19 April. Buildings comprised a 30 bed hospital, theatre, doctor's room, convent, chapel and school.

1902
A new convent improved accommodation for the Sisters of St John of God. The original convent was converted to hospital wards, increasing bed numbers to 40.



1911
The School of Nursing opened for Sisters of St John of God, who undertook training for qualifications of membership of the Australian Trained Nurses Association.

1912 - 1916
New wings completed (wards 1 & 2).

1914
First x-ray department established.

1922
Cambridge Street Wing opened, providing Nightingale style wards on the first two floors with private rooms on the third floor. The hospital now had 130 beds.

1932/33
Completion of the Connolly Street Wing was the first stage of the central block linking the 1912-16 and 1922 buildings.

1933
Pathology commenced testing on the wards.



1934/35
The Central Block featuring a colonnaded entrance and grand marble staircase opened. The hospital now accommodated 365 patients, including maternity.

1941
The first children's ward opened.



1948
The first pathology laboratory opened in a room on St Peter's Ward.

1949
A Midwifery Training School was established for Sisters of St John of God.

1956
Memorial Chapel completed and Pathology Department established.

1960s
Services expanded with a new radiological centre, a psychiatric ward, nuclear medicine and a theatre recovery room.

1961
Maternity services expanded with the opening of a dedicated 100 bed maternity hospital. The hospital now had 375 beds.

1969
A new Pathology Building opened on 9 June. Departments included a blood bank and bone tumour registry.



1978
The St John of God Medical Centre opened in the former Nurses' Quarters.



1980s
The Medical Teaching Unit and the Pastoral Care Department were established. Specialist colonoscopy and laser clinics opened, along with a cardiology clinic and a dedicated oncology ward. A drop-in mother and baby centre added to the hospital's growing services.

1989
St John of God Health Care was established, bringing the Sisters of St John of God's services in Western Australia, Victoria and New South Wales together.

1990
Opening of the South Wing provided new general and maternity wards and delivery suites, along with intensive care and day surgery units. The hospital now had 360 beds.

1993
The last group of nurses graduated from the School of Midwifery before training moved to the university system. The School of Nursing had closed in 1984.

1998
Subiaco Clinic opened, providing 121 medical suites, a fully integrated day surgery unit and conference centre.



1981
Completion of the North Wing was the first stage of rebuilding the hospital. It provided a 225 bed ward block, eight new operating theatres, a pharmacy and chapel.

1990s
Services continued to expand with the opening of a respiratory and sleep centre. SKG installed the first MRI machine at the hospital. An afterhours GP service, sports medicine clinic, hydrotherapy pool, chest pain clinic and palliative care service were also established.

2000s
Outreach services expanded with the introduction of the Drug and Alcohol Withdrawal Network and a Raphael Centre to help families affected by pre and post-natal depression. New in-hospital services included the establishment of a cancer centre, continence centre, new day surgery unit and short stay ward. The hospital now had 448 beds.

2006
St John of God Chapel was blessed and opened on 10 March.

2007
The first stage of the Bendat Family Comprehensive Cancer Clinic opened. The centre was completed in 2009.

2010s
Surgical advances continue with the installation of WA's first da Vinci surgical robot in 2011 and a Stryker orthopaedic robot in 2015. The neonatal special care unit also opened, providing specialised medical support to babies born prematurely or unwell. The hospital now has 555 beds.

2015
St John of God Wembley Day Surgery opened.

2018
Celebrated 120 years of caring for the Western Australian community. A new Clinical Command Centre opened to optimise patient flow through theatres.



Continuing a legacy of compassionate care, clinical expertise and inspiring innovation.
We will continue to deliver an exceptional patient experience supported by our mission and values. We will also continue to grow our investment in innovation and redevelopment to expand our services and enhance our research capabilities.

It's a privilege to care for our patients and offer hospitality, hope and healing to the community.
- Professor Shirley Bowen, St John of God Subiaco Hospital CEO

"Skillful treatment, careful nursing, pure air. The hospital at Subiaco is deserving of all the support that can be bestowed on it. Those who accord it their patronage will find themselves amply rewarded."
- WA Record, 1899

"On entering the large reception hall there is no fuss, there is no worrying questioning or delay. The patients are immediately taken to their allotted wards, which may be a luxuriously furnished single room, a two, three or four-bed room, or one of the big wards holding some forty to fifty patients."
- WA Record, 1935

"The main objective of our Hospital is to provide the highest achievable quality of patient care in a warm, compassionate and humane environment."
- Staff Handbook, 1980s