Specialty spotlight – Breast Care

ST JOHN OF GOD Subiaco Hospital

A look at the services offered at St John of God Subiaco Hospital

Dear Doctor,

We put the physical and emotional needs of our patients at the centre of our approach to cancer care. This means that when it comes to your breast cancer patients, they will be cared for, completely.

In addition to benefiting from the expertise of our leading oncologists, patients are cared for by specialist oncology, breast cancer and palliative care nurses, as well as allied health professionals including psychologists and dieticians.

Patients can conveniently access all the services and support they need at one location, offering familiarity and convenience.

Medical oncology

Our oncologists ensure that patients understand their diagnosis and treatment options, and feel supported throughout their treatment journey.

Our medical oncology services include:

- Day chemotherapy
- Radiation oncology
- Immunotherapy

Breast cancer surgery

Breast cancer surgery is a key part of the patient's overall treatment plan.

Surgery is performed in our state-of-the-art operating theatres using the latest technologies and surgical equipment. Our facilities also provide a comfortable environment for your patients to rest and recover after their procedure

Types of breast surgery performed at the hospital:

- Breast-conserving surgery
- Intraoperative Radiation Therapy
- Mastectomy
- Breast reconstruction

Intraoperative Radiation Therapy (IORT)

St John of God Subiaco Hospital is the only private hospital in Australia offering IORT, a rapid radiation treatment for select women with early breast cancer.

IORT reduces treatment time from three to seven weeks of daily radiation to a single, targeted treatment which is administered while a patient is undergoing surgery to remove the cancer.

Leading the way through research

All St John of God Subiaco Hospital oncologists are involved in medical research.

Our hospital's Breast Cancer Research Unit covers the following aspects to assist and guide patient care:

- Translational research driven by our Biobank in collaboration with national and international researchers
- Medical and surgical oncology clinical trials that encompass all aspects of breast cancer, including prevention, diagnosis, treatments, post-treatment, survivorship, fertility, end-of-life care, development of drugs and translation of research practice
- Supportive care research, such as exercise intervention, as well as fertility support to enable young breast cancer survivors to start a family
- Health services research to deliver more equitable and effective cancer care

Dedicated breast cancer nursing supporting

Our dedicated breast cancer and palliative care clinical support nurses help to optimise patient and family care and offer support in hospital and following discharge.

Amongst their many services, they help patients with symptom management and support, attend appointments to ensure all of the patient's questions are answered, and facilitate referrals to support organisations to assist with other practical issues associated with a cancer diagnosis.

In addition, leading Western Australian cancer support service, Solaris Cancer Care is located onsite, providing our patients and their families complementary therapies.

When you entrust us with the care of your patients, you can feel confident that they will receive personalised care specific to their unique needs.

Kind regards

Dr Andrew Dean

St John of God Subiaco Hospital Head of Department – Cancer Services

Assoc. Prof Ming Yew

St John of God Subiaco Hospital Head of Department – General Surgery

Meet our breast care team

Meet our highly experienced team of Breast Oncologists and Breast Cancer Surgeons.

Breast Oncologists



Dr Tim Clay

Breast Cancer Surgeons



Dr Andrew Dean



Dr Daphne Tsoi



Dr Helen Ballal



Mr Lee Jackson



Dr Corrine Jones



Dr Wen Chan Yeow



A/Prof Ming Yew

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