

Calvary Mater Newcastle is a public hospital and a major cancer care centre within Hunter New England Local Health District network

ARE YOU HAVING OUTPATIENT TREATMENT AT CALVARY MATER NEWCASTLE?

If so, you'll need to arrange transport to and from the hospital. You should consult your family, friends, neighbours, your local church group or local club to see if they can assist you to organise to bring you to and from your treatment.

There are also community transport organisations available to assist you.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

- Transport may be available by bus or private car.
- Fees for transport will be charged.
- Some organisations are unable to transport people more than two to three times a week.
- Some community transport organisations can only transport people between certain hours. Please inform the hospital staff when your appointments are being planned.
- **Community transport needs at least one weeks notice of your transport requirement.**

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT GROUPS

NEWCASTLE/LAKE MACQUARIE

- Mercy Services Community Transport (Newcastle and Lake Macquarie) – 4961 3113
- Hunter Breast Cancer Foundation (HBCF) – 0419 658 875
- Hunter Melanoma Foundation – 4985 0103

PORT STEPHENS

- Linked Community Services (Port Stephens) – 4984 7999
- Nelson Bay Cancer Patient Transport – 0407 252 566
- Tomaree Breast Cancer Support Group – 0431 864 778
- Tomaree Prostate Cancer Support Group – 0407 252 566

LOWER/UPPER HUNTER/MID NORTH COAST

- Maitland Community Care – 4932 5755
- Lower Hunter (Cessnock) Transport Services – 4019 9750
- Beresfield Community Transport – 4964 1131
- Ourcare (Singleton and Maitland) – 6571 2300
- Dungog Neighbour Care – 4992 3348
- Bucketts Way Neighbourhood Care – 6558 2454 / 6558 1748

- Transcare (Scone, Murrumbidgee, Muswellbrook) – 6545 3113
- Linked Community Services (Manning Valley) – 6554 5447
- Hunter Breast Cancer Foundation (HBCF) – 0419 658 875
- Dungog Palliative Care Volunteers – 0468 303 248

OTHER

- Cancer Council – Transport to Treatment (T2T) – 13 11 20
- DVA-Veterans Affairs Transport – 133 254

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Some transport providers require a transport code from My Aged Care. If requested, please phone My Aged Care on 1800 200 422 and ask for an “urgent code for transport to cancer treatment”.

STEPS FOR BOOKING TRANSPORT

1. Contact a transport provider to book directly.
2. Contact My Aged Care for a transport code if needed.

NDIS

Patients with NDIS should firstly contact their **Service Package Provider** to organise transport. If any issues are encountered, contact Social Work on 4014 4804.

HOME CARE PACKAGES

- Patients who have a **level 3 and 4** home care package should call their **Service Package Provider** to arrange transport.
- Patients who have a **level 1 and 2** home care package should:
 1. Contact their **Service Package Provider**.
 2. If no funding is available, contact community transport.
 3. If any issues are encountered, contact Social Work on 4014 4804.

NSW HEALTH ISOLATED PATIENTS TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION SCHEME (IPTAAS)

IPTAAS is a subsidy scheme that financially assists people to access specialist medical treatment when it is not available in their local area.

You may be eligible for IPTAAS if you:

- Travel at least 100km (one way) from home to attend treatment.

- Have travelled a total distance of 200km in one week from your usual place of residence to the treatment centre.

Conditions apply.

Contact IPTAAS on 1800 478 227 and select 'Option 1'.

For more information regarding IPTAAS or transport, please call Social Work on 4014 4804.

Continuing the Mission of the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary

In an abandoned stocking factory in Nottingham, England, Venerable Mary Potter and the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary began their mission of caring for the sick and dying. Inspired by the women who stood steadfastly with Jesus as he died upon the cross at Calvary, six courageous Sisters sailed into Sydney in 1885 where they immediately began to care for those in need. Thus began Calvary's enduring legacy of care in Australia. Today, we continue their mission in that same Spirit of Calvary in our hospitals, home and virtual care services, retirement living and residential aged care homes.



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