

Health Services in Your Community

Murchison District

Mount Magnet Medical Centre

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Business Hours

8am - 5pm, Monday - Friday

**24 Hour
Emergency Service**

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The Murchison Health Service incorporates the provision of services to Meekatharra, Wiluna, Sandstone, Mount Magnet and Cue catchment areas. The Mount Magnet Nursing Post is accessible for emergencies 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

The Murchison Health Service provides services aimed to prevent illness, promote health, support individuals/families in their homes, reduce the impact of disease or trauma, and to maintain independence and quality of life for residential aged care facility residents.

Acute and Emergency Care

Acute Care is available within the Mount Magnet Medical Centre. Assistance out of business hours is available for emergencies only.

Emergency Care Available: 24hrs a day

Contact: 9963 4102

Patient Assisted Travel Scheme (PATS)

PATS is available to provide assistance to people living in the country who are required to travel more than 100kms (one way) to obtain the nearest available specialist or obstetric treatment not available locally or from a visiting service.

The service is also extended to those living between 70 and 100kms from the treatment centre that require regular oncology or dialysis treatment, which is not available locally.

For more information contact:

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Home and Community Care (HACC)

Home and Community Care support incorporates practical and flexible services to assist members of the community, particularly frail older people, people with disabilities and their carers to maintain independence and a quality of life within their home. Services include:

Home and Community Care Nursing: home based visiting service, which provides a wide range of nursing and palliative care, education and ongoing support, monitoring and assistance for chronic and unstable conditions.

Home and Community Care Services:

- **HomeCare:** assistance with tasks such as cleaning and food preparation along with assistance in attending appointments, banking, shopping etc.
- **Home Maintenance:** routine maintenance and repairs services such as installation of safety aids, minor modifications inside and outside the home and repairs to locks, doors and windows.
- **MealsonWheels:** provide a home delivered hot/cold meal and sweet at lunchtime to eligible clients unable to maintain adequate nutritional intake.

Aged Care Facilities: Aged Care support is available in several forms. Assistance is available to assist people wishing to stay in their homes through the Community Care Services. If an Aged Person is unable to stay in their home, an independent living hostel or higher care facility is available.

Respite Care: Respite Carers are committed to supporting carers and those for whom they care for in the community. The centres assist in coordinating flexible and innovative respite for carers, which allows carers to take a break from their caring role.

For more information contact: HACC Coordinator

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Primary Health

The staff of Primary Health can assist you to make healthy choices and prevent illnesses. Community Nurses, Health Promotion professionals and Allied Health practitioners are all part of the Population Health Team and can provide information about a range of health issues.

Community Health: This area encapsulates a large portion of the programs and services provided for the general community, which aim to provide health education, awareness raising, and assistance. Community Health Services include Chronic Disease Management, Child & Maternal Health Services, Immunisation, Parenting support & education, School Health screening, education & support, and Women's Health education & support.

Immunisation Clinic: Wednesdays

Contact: 99634102

Antenatal Education : Antenatal education and support is offered on an as needed basis assisting women to prepare for childbirth and their newborn.

Parental Education: Weekly classes are available to parents of all ages providing friendship, education and support in parenting, child nutrition, and child health, development and behaviours.

For more information contact the Medical Centre:

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Primary Health

Allied Health: Support is available from on-site and visiting professionals. General multidisciplinary services may be provided on a one to one basis or within a number of different programs. Allied Health services include:

Physiotherapy: Consultations are available for any age group. Physiotherapists provide assessment and treatment for a variety of complaints, disorders or delays. Physiotherapists also provide group education for Injury Prevention, Health Promotion, Growth and Development, School Education – back care, school bag weights, sports injury.

Occupational Therapy: Therapists work with children and adults to overcome limitations caused by injury or illness, psychological or emotional difficulties, developmental delay or the effects of aging. Support can include direct therapy intervention referral to different agencies, environmental assessments and provision of supportive equipment.

Speech Pathology: Speech Pathologists are available to provide assessment and treatment of swallowing or communication difficulties.

Diabetic Education: A Diabetic Educator is available for education and support of people with Diabetes and Health Professionals in the achievement of effective Diabetes Management. Health Professionals and Diabetics from within the region, link together via video conference education sessions each month.

Audiology: Through full audiological assessments, consultation with Ear Nose and Throat specialists, regular liaison with Speech Pathologists, Community and School Nurses, and referral to the Office of Australian Hearing Services, the Audiologist provides professional assessment and treatment of those with hearing difficulties.

Podiatry: Podiatry is a specialised field dealing with foot health and care. This service is especially beneficial to those with Diabetes, age related complications, and children.

Asthma Educator: An Asthma Educator is available for education and assistance with managing Asthma and other respiratory complaints including the use of inhaled medications, Asthma first aid, and assistance with home oxygen.

Social Work: A Social Worker is available to assist you and your family; through a regular visiting service they can offer counselling, referral to services, help with assessing resources and liaison with other agencies on your behalf.

For more information contact the Medical Centre:

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Visiting Health Services

Central West Mental Health Service: Central West Mental Health Service provides confidential assessment, treatment and management of all major mental health illnesses. Supportive counselling, therapeutic interventions and liaison and consultation with other services and agencies are offered. The Child and Adolescent Mental Health Team specialises with children and their families.

Contact Central West Mental Health Service:

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Visiting Health Services

COMPARI: A visiting service is available on an as-needed basis offering support, advice and education on Drug and Alcohol Issues for individuals, families and groups.

Contact COMPARI: 99654277

DOCTORS AND SPECIALISTS:

General Practitioner: A doctor's clinic is available Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at the Medical Centre 99634102

Geraldton Regional Aboriginal Medical Service (GRAMS): Visits on a monthly basis 99215588

Physician: A specialist Physician visits Cue four times a year and attendance is by referral only 99634102

Paediatrician: A regular service visiting from the Country Children's Outreach Services 99634102

Ear Nose & Throat Specialist: A regular visiting service 99634102

Ophthalmologist: A regular visiting eye specialist experienced in acute and chronic eye conditions 99634102

Information and appointments are available by contacting Mount Magnet Medical Centre 99634102

Other Health Related Providers

Dentist: A regular visiting service at the Mount Magnet Medical Centre 99634102 or 93130555

Disability Services Commission: Providing support and advocacy for people with disabilities within the Murchison Region 99643455

HealthDirect: HealthDirect is a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week statewide health advice line 1800022222

HealthInfo: HealthInfo is a health information and resource line. Operators can assist you identify and contact the health service you need 1300135030

RuralLink: Helping people finding it difficult to cope or in crisis 1800552002

Sexual Assault Resource Centre (SARC): A service providing a larger range of counselling services 1800016789

St John Ambulance Service: Emergencies 000 Or 99634102