

The Treatment Team

Staffed by a team of dedicated professionals experienced in the treatment of eating disorders, the program works from a multidisciplinary perspective to provide holistic treatment and recovery focused care.

Professionals on our team include:

- Dietitians
- Psychiatrists
- Occupational Therapists
- Social Workers
- Art Therapists
- Music Therapists
- Carer Consultant
- Mental Health trained Nursing staff
- Psychologists and Clinical Psychologists
- Medical staff (General Practitioners).



Eating Disorder Services

Information for patients, carers, family and support persons




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Eating Disorders Program

The Eating Disorders Program is comprised of an inpatient program and a day program. Outreach services are also available. The inpatient program is designed to provide treatment to patients who require a higher level of care. Day program and Outreach services offer continuity of treatment ensuring minimal disruption to daily living and social networks.

Inpatient Program

The Inpatient Program offers eating disorder specific groups and access to a variety of skills-based groups throughout the hospital. The multidisciplinary team of qualified health professionals are experienced and trained in understanding and treating Eating Disorders. Improved nutrition and emotional wellbeing are achieved through individualised meal planning, meal support and participation in the daily group program.

The daily group program provides patients with opportunities to participate in evidence based treatment including Cognitive Behaviour Therapy – Enhanced (CBT-E), Dialectical Behaviour Therapy (DBT) Skills, Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT), Interpersonal Therapy (IPT) and Occupational and Creative Arts Therapies.

Patients are offered

- Meal support and menu planning
- Nutrition education
- Psychological group treatment (i.e. Cognitive Behavioural Therapy-Enhanced, Interpersonal Therapy and DBT Skills)
- Mindfulness and relaxation
- Art Therapy
- Goal setting and living skills
- Discharge planning and recovery planning groups
- Multidisciplinary Team Review
- Social eating experiences such as café outings
- Food challenges
- Recovered speakers.

Outreach Program

The Outreach Program provides community based treatment to support the individual in working towards their recovery. It encompasses meal support as well as individual work focused on the development of skills to enable each individual to meet their goals. Outreach can be offered to assist with the transition from the inpatient setting, in conjunction with other services or in some cases as part of an alternative to inpatient care.

Day Program

The Eating Disorders Day Program is designed for people who are able to manage eating more independently however still require ongoing structure and support to challenge their problematic eating behaviours.

The program includes several treatment options for patients, ranging from higher to lower levels of support. Days of attendance will be determined on assessment for the program to meet individual needs. The program includes several evidence based psychological treatments.

The program provides continuity of care after an inpatient stay. The program also offers a direct admission for individuals who do not require inpatient treatment.

