

BIRTHING SUITES

The birth suites are large and spacious. All of the rooms in the maternity ward are single rooms and can accommodate you and your partner if required. We are proud of the modern, spacious facilities and personalised care.

To view a virtual tour and photos of our birth suites, please follow the link below to our hospital website - Gippsland Southern Health Service (GSHS).

<https://www.gshs.com.au/maternity-services-gallery>

FEES

The indexation of Medicare rebates has been less than inflation since the early 1990's, requiring us to charge private fees to be able to cover the costs of running a medical clinic. The out of pocket fee to see a GP obstetrician for an antenatal visit is the same as the out of pocket fee for a standard general practice consultation at a clinic.

All patients on a healthcare card and children under 16 are bulk-billed, meaning there are not out of pocket fees. If you are experiencing financial hardships, please let your doctor know.

There are no fees associated with in-patient care at Leongatha Hospital, including delivery and post-natal care.

Currently, there are 6 GP obstetricians providing care during pregnancy and birth. They are:

Dr. Sam Bell

Dr. Joel Fanning

Dr. Sewellyn Gale

Dr. Jean Nee Khoo

Dr. Elise Ly

Dr. Lore Mahinay

Dr. Khoo can also speak Malay, Dr. Ly Chinese Mandarin, & Dr. Mahinay Filipino.

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PREGNANCY & BIRTHING IN LEONGATHA

PROVIDING QUALITY, CONTINUITY
& COMPREHENSIVE CARE
IN PREGNANCY AND BEYOND



PREGNANCY AND CHILDBIRTH CAN BE A TIME OF GREAT JOY AND EXPECTATION, BUT ALSO ONE OF UNCERTAINTY AND ANXIETY.

AT LEONGATHA MATERNITY SERVICE, WE AIM TO WALK THIS INTIMATE JOURNEY ALONGSIDE YOU, BUILDING A TRUSTING RELATIONSHIP, AND BY LISTENING AND SUPPORTING YOUR INDIVIDUAL NEEDS.

ABOUT US

We are all GP obstetricians, qualified to deliver low-risk obstetrician care, as well as providing post-natal support and all types of general practice consults. We provide obstetric on call services to the hospital 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, including caesarean births.

As GP obstetricians, we are well trained to manage your pregnancy as well as other physical and mental health needs. We value the relationships that we build with families during pregnancy and are proud to be able to continue to provide general care as your family grows.

ANTENATAL CARE

You have the option to see a doctor of your choice, with the option of seeing another doctor if you would prefer. We all work together as a team, but acknowledge that everyone has slightly different styles of consulting and it is important that you feel comfortable and supported by your GP obstetrician.

ANTENATAL APPOINTMENTS

Your first antenatal visit generally occurs before 10 weeks.

Generally, antenatal visits are scheduled every 4-6 weeks until 28 weeks, every 2-4 weeks until 36 weeks, then every 1-2 weeks until you have your baby.

Most of these antenatal visits are with your GP obstetrician, and the other appointments are with a midwife at the hospital.

CHILDBIRTH

During business hours, or if your birth is planned (an induction or elective caesarean section), your usual GP obstetrician will manage your delivery. As a group we provide 24/7 obstetric care including after hours, weekends and public holidays. There will always be a GP obstetrician on call.

If your GP obstetrician has any planned leave around the time of your birth, your GP will let you know and arrange for another obstetrician doctor to cover.