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When you are dealing with a cancer diagnosis peace of mind about quality of care and convenience become paramount.

Hollywood Private Hospital provides specially tailored medical and surgical treatment for many types of cancer, with the most current treatments, world-leading facilities and outstanding specialist care, all conveniently located on one site.

We also have highly skilled and capable nursing, medical and allied health staff to provide excellence in cancer care, information and support.

With the opening of our brand new Consulting Centre in 2020, Hollywood Private Hospital is set to be the premier centre for cancer treatment in Perth.

For your patients, this means a single trip to our Nedlands facility for specialist visits, cancer-related surgery, radiation treatment, chemotherapy, scans and imaging, pastoral services, and counselling. That means everything is located on one site, in familiar surroundings, allowing you to focus solely on your recovery.

What is a CancerCare Navigator?

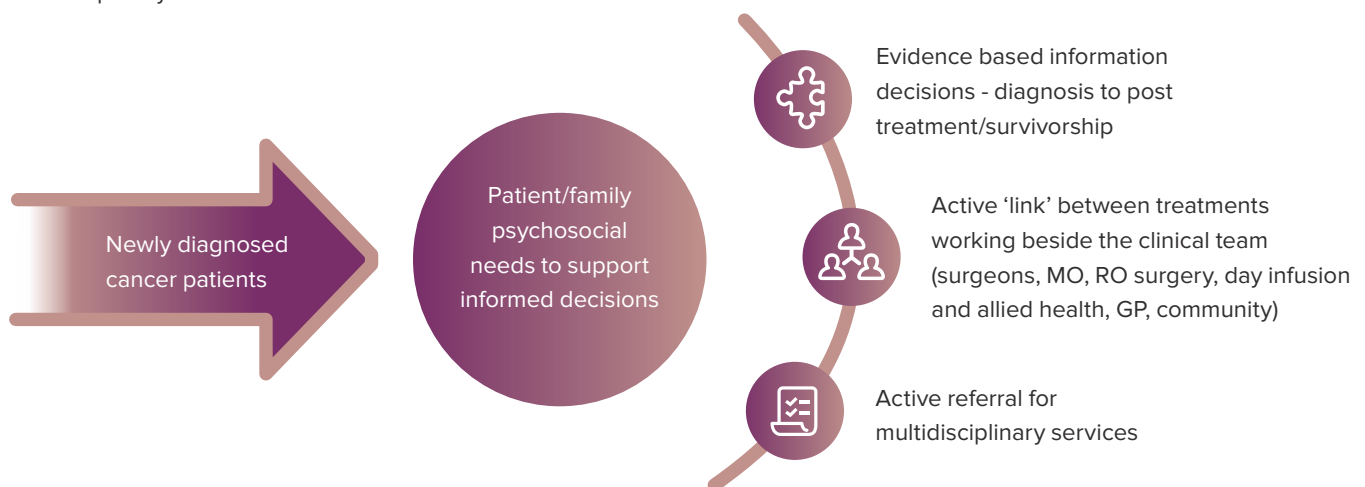
Hollywood Private Hospital have appointed a CancerCare Navigator to improve the patient experience and ensure that we are providing the best possible care to your patients.

Ramsay Health Care have developed the role of CancerCare Navigator. The role links the newly diagnosed cancer patients to appropriate multidisciplinary services to ensure care is of the highest quality. The CancerCare Navigator is also a constant link for continuity of care between treatments working alongside all treating teams at Hollywood Private Hospital.

Following a consumer informed strategy into cancer care services a need for this vital role was highlighted. As part of Hollywood Private Hospital's strategy for continuous improvement the role has been commissioned as part of a pilot project for the next 12 months. The aim is to better understand the scope of the role and how it enhances the patient's cancer journey.

Pilot Projects - Care Navigation

The emphasis is on patient education, assessment, psychosocial support and coordination of care in collaboration with multidisciplinary teams.



What are the benefits to your patient?

Studies have shown that patients who have access to navigational support are more likely to:

- understand their treatment plan better
- access services they need
- cope with their illness
- are better prepared for consultations and treatments

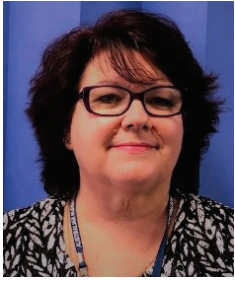
The CancerCare Navigator will also educate and empower your patient with knowledge, so they are better able to manage their care, through the health system that can at times seem fragmented and complex. It is about the right care at the right time in the right place.

What are the benefits to you as a GP?

Our aim at Hollywood Private Hospital is to ensure that referring GPs are given timely information of the outcome of their patients' initial assessment and thereafter will be kept informed of any services put in place for their patients.

Open dialogue between patients, referring doctors and Hollywood Private Hospitals enables transparency with regards to optimal patient care and clinical management.

About the Specialist



Therese Thompson nursing career spans 30+ years. For the last 20 years, Therese has dedicated her career to Cancer Nursing and has worked in many of WA's hospitals. She has spent the past 11 years at Hollywood Private Hospital where she has worked in both the outpatient and inpatient Oncology wards.

She is a dedicated and highly respected member of the Cancer Care community at Hollywood. Therese is also a serving committee member of the Cancer Nurses Association of Australia which is the peak body for cancer nurses in Australia. As such she is up-to-date and well informed of advances in the care of patients.

While at Hollywood Private Hospital Theresa has spent time in the Cancer Clinical Trials Unit and has also worked as the Oncology Educator. Both of these roles has given her a wider view of the possibilities for Cancer patients. She believes that when staff, together with patient, are better informed on care options they can achieve the best outcomes for the patients under their care. She encourages and helps to facilitate the education of both. The role of CancerCare Navigator is a newly created post. It has challenges and the opportunities for patients are limitless. Therese is embracing both to help patients under her care.

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For more details on the role of the CancerCare Navigator and how this is important for your patients please contact the GP Liaison.

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