

# HOSPITAL SCHOOL SERVICES

**Hospital School Services (HSS) provides educational support for students whose physical or mental health prevents them from successfully participating in their own school programs. Support is available to both public and private school students through direct teaching, liaison and teaching in the home setting.**

**Hospital School Services together with The Centre for Inclusive Schooling, Vision Education Service and the Western Australian Institute for Deaf Education, form Statewide Specialist Services.**

## CHILD ADOLESCENT HEALTH SERVICES (CAHS)

### PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL (PMH) WARD AND LIAISON PROGRAMS

Ward programs service selected wards daily, providing specialist educational support for primary and secondary students. Specialist secondary teachers are on staff and others are accessed as needed. Strong partnerships are built with students, parents, enrolled school, medical staff, and health professionals.

HSS teachers facilitate the transition and ongoing participation of students in their own schools. Support is also provided through the following liaison programs:

- Child, Adolescent Epilepsy Program
- Diabetes Liaison Program
- Paediatric & Adolescent Medicine Program (Primary & Secondary)
- Paediatric Rehabilitation Acquired Brain Injury Program

- Paediatric Rehabilitation Spinal Liaison Program
- Psychological Medicine Acute Community Intervention Team (ACIT)
- Psychological Medicine Consultation Liaison Service
- Psychological Medicine Eating Disorders Program
- Rheumatology Liaison Program

Students access these programs through admission to PMH.

*Access to the following Hospital School Services programs is made through referral from Department of Health (DoH):*

### CHILD AND ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (CAMHS) EDUCATION LIAISON PROGRAM

This team aims to enhance communication between CAMHS, District Education Offices (DEO) and schools. Consultancy is provided for CAMHS clinicians on educational matters and liaison is conducted between CAMHS, DEO and schools. The liaison teachers are based in every North Metropolitan Area Health Service (NMAHS) and South Metropolitan Area Health Service (SMAHS) CAMHS.

### FAMILY PATHWAYS PROGRAM

Provides educational services for primary aged students who experience severe emotional, social and/or behavioural problems. A variety of day and community services currently exists. Eligible students attend the HSS Family Pathways schoolroom during normal school hours. Connections are maintained with enrolled schools.

### NORTH METROPOLITAN CAMHS IN SCHOOLS PROGRAM

A service is currently being developed for students who experience severe difficulties accessing learning and maintaining peer relationships. Students are likely to have difficulty transitioning from primary to secondary school.

### OTHER HOSPITALS

HSS has service protocols with:

Fremantle Hospital  
Royal Perth Hospital- Wellington Street Campus

HSS can also provide educational support for eligible patients in other Western Australian hospitals.

External referrals can be made through HSS administration.

### ROYAL PERTH HOSPITAL (RPH) PROGRAM SHENTON PARK CAMPUS

Provides educational services for students with acquired brain injury, spinal injury or orthopaedic problems. Curriculum, vocational education training and transition services are provided for these school and post-school aged students with support from Central TAFE.



## STATEWIDE CLINICAL SERVICES ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (SCSEP)

A teacher and education assistant are available to support CAMHS. DEOs and schools in country regions with students experiencing mental health problems.

Referrals: A collaborative procedure between DEOs, schools and CAMHS.

## WEST AUSTRALIAN YOUTH BENTLEY ADOLESCENT UNIT (BAU) AND TRANSITION UNIT PROGRAM

Provides a comprehensive academic, life skills, social skills, personal development and stress management program for eligible students. Adolescents with severe mental health problems are the Transition Unit's target population. Links are forged with enrolled schools, DEO and external agencies. The program services in-patients and day-patients.

## WEST AUSTRALIAN YOUTH FAMILIES AT WORK (FAW) PROGRAM

Provides a residential program for students aged 7 to 13 with social, emotional or behavioural problems. Admissions are generally for one term with an additional term follow up as an outpatient. During an initial period of assessment students are schooled in a classroom on the Bentley Health Service site. The HSS teacher liaises with schools and assists with transition of students through a trial in a local school or with the enrolled school.

## TEACHING IN THE HOME PROGRAM

HSS teachers provide in-home educational support to primary and secondary school students in the metropolitan area who cannot attend school for medical reasons. The program supports students likely to be absent from school for more than ten days who have a medical certificate. Consultation with medical practitioners is an integral part of this service. Further information and forms are available on the HSS website.



## STATEWIDE SPECIALIST SERVICES

Hospital School Services  
The WA Institute for Deaf Education  
Vision Education Service  
Centre for inclusive Schooling

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