



PRINCESS ALEXANDRA HOSPITAL

Gastroenterology and Hepatology Unit

The Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology at the Princess Alexandra Hospital provides tertiary/quaternary services to local and interstate patients. It offers a vibrant, fast paced workplace with unique opportunities to be part of a high performing multiprofessional team that provides services to a wide spectrum of patients with gastrointestinal and liver diseases. This patient- and outcome focussed environment not only provides a unique opportunity to acquire cutting edge clinical skills but is also complemented by a culture of constant quality improvement and systematic innovation of clinical practices.

Besides General Gastroenterology and Hepatology the following specialised services or clinics are available: Interventional Endoscopy Clinic, Inflammatory Bowel Disorder Clinic, Complex motility and Functional GI disorder Clinic, Celiac and Non-Celiac Wheat Intolerance (NCWS) Clinic, Intestinal Failure & PEG Clinic, Liver Transplant Clinic, NAFLD Integrated Care Clinic.

The Endoscopy Unit delivers approximately 12,000 procedures per year provides a wide spectrum of diagnostic and therapeutic services ranging from routine diagnostic procedures to advanced techniques including ERCP, EUS, EMR, ESD, POEM and ESG.

Diagnostic services are complemented by HR-manometry, 24-hr pH and impedance studies, a stable isotope (^{13}C) laboratory for the measurement of pancreatic function, gastric emptying kinetics, liver function test and glucose breath testing (hydrogen & methane).

Clinical activities of the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology are complemented by a strong research program that creates discoveries relevant to gastrointestinal and liver diseases and translates those discoveries into clinical practice. The Department supports and maintains fundamental, laboratory-based research programs including microbiome research and provides outstanding academic career development opportunities for medical and non-medical staff in close cooperation with the University of Queensland and other academic providers.

Detailed Information

Director

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Staffing

20 Consultant staff

5 Gastroenterology Fellows (Advanced Clinical Gastroenterology, Hepatology, Interventional Endoscopy, Motility & IBD and Integrated Care)

2 Advanced Training Gastroenterology Registrars

General and Specialised Nursing staff in Gastroenterology, hepatology and Endoscopy

Scientists, Psychologists, Dietitians and Exercise Physiologist

Clinics

General Gastroenterology

General Hepatology

Liver Transplant

IBD

Complex Motility and Functional GI Disorder (FGID) Clinic

Integrated Care Clinics (Motility and NAFLD)

Intestinal Failure/PEG clinic

Education

Weekly education session at the departmental meetings

Journal Club

Histology and Radiology Meeting

Grand Rounds

Weekly research and quality improvement meetings

Consultant-led small group teaching session