

# Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service

## Palliative Medicine - RMO and Registrar Campaign 2026

<b>Public / private</b>	Public
<b>Service name</b>	Sunshine Coast Health Specialist Palliative Care Service
<b>Service type</b>	<p><b>Sunshine Coast University Hospital:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Inpatient consult liaison</li> <li>– Outpatient clinic</li> </ul> <p><b>Nambour General Hospital:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Outpatient clinic</li> <li>– Inpatient consult liaison</li> <li>– Specialist Palliative Rural Telehealth Service (SPARTA)</li> </ul> <p><b>Caloundra Hospital:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Dove Palliative Care unit</li> <li>– Outpatient clinic</li> <li>– Community consult Liaison offices</li> </ul> <p><b>Community Consultation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– home visits</li> <li>– RACF visits</li> <li>– Telehealth</li> </ul> <p><b>Gympie Hospital:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– inpatient consultation</li> <li>– outpatient clinic</li> </ul> <p><b>Maleny Hospital:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– inpatient video consultation only</li> </ul>
<b>Patient referral groups</b>	Adults with malignant and non-malignant conditions from all specialities
<b>Annual no. of referrals</b>	600 to Dove PCU 2056 outpatient episodes 900 consult inpatients in SCUH
<b>Inpatient bed numbers</b>	Approx 400 admissions to Dove per annum 14 inpatient beds at Caloundra, 4 day patient beds at Caloundra
<b>Staffing &amp; Supervision</b>	<p>Staff are employed by Sunshine Coast Palliative Care Service and deployed across all sites</p> <p><b>Medical Staff:</b></p> <p>7 Staff Specialists</p> <p>3 Advanced Trainee registrar positions.</p> <p>1 Basic Medicine Trainee</p> <p>JHOs at Dove PCU and SCUH</p>

<b>RACP accreditation –define category(ies)</b>	Accredited for Advanced Trainee for Community, Consult Liaison, Inpatient (Hospice) and non-core terms and Clinical Foundation in Palliative Medicine
<b>Service Benefits (drawcard)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Affiliated with medical schools at Sunshine Coast University, Griffith University</li> <li>• Affiliated with RACGP</li> <li>• Teaching opportunities available</li> <li>• Dedicated weekly Registrar education and journal club via video/teleconference</li> <li>• The service has a small research arm – opportunity to conduct research with support from local Medical School and Department of Medicine</li> <li>• 24 hr telephone on call service</li> <li>• Strong liaison with RACF services</li> <li>• Motor Neurone Disease clinics</li> <li>• Leading service for provision of Telehealth virtual consultations</li> </ul>
<b>Service Highlights / benefits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integrated service</li> <li>• Comprehensive Care delivery by multidisciplinary team</li> <li>• Strong community component and commitment to care in the community</li> <li>• Strong relationship with local General Practitioners and community nursing providers</li> <li>• Strong teaching component</li> <li>• Able to support GP registrar training (extended skills) via RACGP</li> <li>• Well supported by resident staff – junior house officers, nursing staff, allied health staff and psychologist, Pharmacist</li> </ul>
<b>Hospital Web link</b>	<a href="https://www.health.qld.gov.au/sunshinecoast">https://www.health.qld.gov.au/sunshinecoast</a>