

OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES

Bellarine Community Health provides a shared care model for Palliative Care and Community Nursing.

There are costs associated with Community Nursing calculated on your income and ability to pay.

There are costs relating to the purchase or hire of equipment such as hospital beds and shower stools.

There will also be some out of pocket expenses for items such as medications and prescriptions, dressings and catheter products.



✓ **CONSUMER REVIEWED**

This publication has been reviewed by a health service user

BOOKINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

 1800 007 224

Email: intake@bch.org.au

Fax: (03) 5258 0864



You can make an appointment yourself or ask your doctor, health worker or other service for a referral.

Eligibility criteria and waiting periods may apply to some of our services.

BCH acknowledges the traditional Custodians of the land where we work, and pay respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

HEALTH CENTRE LOCATIONS

DRYSDALE

23 Palmerston Street
Monday - Friday
8:30am - 5:00pm

OCEAN GROVE

78 Presidents Ave
Monday - Friday
8:30am - 5:00pm

PORTARLINGTON

39 Fenwick Street
Monday - Friday
8:30am - 5:00pm
Fax: (03) 8513 6202

DRYSDALE YOUTH

Peninsula Drive - behind
bus shelter no. 5
Drysdale
Monday - Friday
9:00am - 5:00pm
Fax: (03) 5251 5099

POINT LONSDALE

2 Nelson Road
Point Lonsdale
Monday - Friday
8:30am - 5:00pm

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Palliative Care Services



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Community
Health

With you for life

Bellarine Community Health provides specialist health services for all ages across five locations on the Bellarine. We are committed to providing quality, affordable health care.

Bellarine Community Health is proud to promote and advocate for the health needs of our diverse community.

Our service provides safe, inclusive and high quality care for everyone

HEALTH SERVICE FEES

Fees for health and dental services are calculated on your income and your ability to pay.

Fees will be explained prior to an appointment being made for you.

Difficulty or inability to pay will not prevent you from receiving treatment or service.

BCH is a registered NDIS provider.

Visit www.bch.org.au for detailed list of fees.

GIVE US FEEDBACK

Bellarine Community Health is wholly committed to improving our services through your experiences.

Please contact us at haveyoursay@bch.org.au or download a feedback form from our website.

PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICES

Bellarine Community Health provides specialist health care services that recognise the particular needs of a person with a life threatening illness.

Our Community Nursing and Palliative Care Nursing team can help alleviate the symptoms of illness and make changes to daily routine to make life easier. The client and carer are crucial partners in the creation and co-ordination of a care plan.

The Palliative Care team recognises that family, friends and carers may also need help to cope with the illness of the person they care for.

Bellarine Community Health also offers bereavement support services.

OUR SERVICE INCLUDES

- Assessment with a Community Palliative Care Nurse
- Liaise with a Palliative Care Medical Specialist as required
- 24 hour access to a Nurse as clinically required
- 24 hour on call information/support service
- Advice and support
- Bereavement support

OTHER HEALTH CARE SERVICES

- Community Nursing
- Liaise with your Doctor and other medical professionals
- Access to carer respite
- Access to allied health professionals such as a Dietitian or Occupational Therapist
- Continence nurse

WHERE CAN I RECEIVE PALLIATIVE CARE

Palliative Care can be provided in the home, at hospital, at an aged care facility and in a specialist Palliative Care unit.

Many people prefer to receive Palliative Care in the home. When making the decision on where to receive care you should consider.

- The nature of the illness
- What support is available from family or other community members
- Can home support be accessed 24 hours a day
- Distance from medical facilities
- Costs associated with the service

If you decide to receive Palliative Care at home, your Doctor remains your primary medical support.

