# PALLIATIVE MEDICINE
## MATER ADULTS

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<td>Unit patient mix</td>
<td>Mater Adults</td>
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<td>Unit bed number</td>
<td>In a mixed Palliative Care/Medical Oncology/Haematology Ward</td>
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<td>Unit annual admissions</td>
<td>300/year</td>
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## Staffing & supervision
- Unit Director (Professor of Palliative Medicine UQ)
- 2.1 FTE staff specialists
- 2 advanced trainees in Medical Oncology
- Fellow in Medical Oncology
- 1 Trainee in ward
- 1 Fellow in Palliative Medicine

## RACP accreditation –
- Advanced Training – inpatient palliative medicine (6 months)
- Advanced training – elective term (6 months)
- Diploma training – 6 months
- Advanced training – cancer term (6 months)
- Advanced training – consultation-liaison term (6 months)

## Unit Benefits (drawcard)
- Affiliated with medical school at University of Queensland
- Very busy research trial program
- Current research includes:
  - Clinical trials
  - Pharmacology trials
  - Qualitative trials
- Teaching of medical students
- Experienced supervisors

## Unit case-mix
- Inpatients
- Outpatient clinics – 7 per week
- Consultation-liaison at Mater Private Hospital, Mater Adult Hospital, and Mater Mother’s Hospital
- Shared care of patients with other cancer disciplines
- Consultation-liaison Non-Malignant Specialities (Resp, Gastro, Renal, Neuro)

## Unit highlights / benefits
- Comprehensive multidisciplinary service
- Close interaction with oncology colleagues
- Regular education sessions including:
  - Weekly journal club
  - Weekly multidisciplinary meetings
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- Weekly lectures at Radiation Oncology, Mater Centre
- Weekly tutorials
- Opportunities for involvement of all aspects of research