# PALLIATIVE MEDICINE
## SUNSHINE COAST HOSPITAL & HEALTH SERVICE

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### Service demographics

- **Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service District**
  - Specialist palliative Care Service
  - Sunshine Coast University Hospital – inpatient, consult liaison, outpatient
  - Nambour General Hospital – outpatient clinic, consultation service
  - Caloundra Hospital – Dove inpatient unit, Outpatient clinic and Consult Liaison Service offices.
  - Community Consultation – home visits, RACF visits, Telehealth
  - Gympie Hospital- inpatient consultation, outpatient clinic
  - Maleny Hospital – inpatient video consultation only.

### Service annual admissions

- 600 to Dove PCU
- 2056 outpatient episodes
- 250 direct care inpatients in SCUH
- 650 consult inpatients in SCUH

### Staffing & supervision

Staff are employed by Sunshine Coast Palliative Care Service and deployed across all sites.

**Medical Staff:**

- 3 Staff Specialists
- 2 Advance Trainee registrar positions.
- 1 Basic Medicine Trainee
- JHOs at Dove PCU and SCUH

Full range of allied health professionals and nurses.

### RACP/ RACGP accreditation

Accredited for Advanced Trainee for Community, Consult Liaison, Inpatient (Hospice) and non-core terms and Diploma in Palliative Medicine
| Service benefits | • Affiliated with medical schools at Sunshine Coast University, Griffith University  
• Affiliated with RACGP  
• Teaching opportunities available  
• Dedicated weekly Registrar education and journal club via video/teleconference  
• The service has a small research arm – opportunity to conduct research with support from local Medical School and Department of Medicine  
• 24 hr telephone on call service  
• Strong liaison with RACF services  
• exposure to Neurodegenerative clients and paediatrics – well supported by local paediatrics and Queensland Children Hospital, Brisbane  
• Leading service for provision of telehealth virtual consultations |
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| Highlights / benefits | • Standardised service  
• Comprehensive Care delivery  
• Strong community component and commitment to care in the community  
• Strong relationship with local General Practitioners and community nursing providers  
• Strong teaching component  
• Able to support GP registrar training (extended skills) via RACGP  
• Well supported by resident staff-junior house officers, Nursing staff, Allied health staff and Psychologist |
| Hospital web link | N/A |