# Palliative Medicine

## St Vincent's Private Hospital

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<td>Unit patient mix</td>
<td>Adults (with occasional adolescents over 14)</td>
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<td>Unit bed number</td>
<td>40 inpatient beds / Community service between 200 to 230 patients at any one time</td>
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| Unit annual admissions | Inpatient service – approx 700 admission per year  
Community service – approx 600 admissions per year |
| Staffing & supervision | • 3.6 FTE Specialists  
• 0.4 MOs  
• 2 Advanced Trainees  
• 1 Diploma Trainee  
• 1 Resident Medical Officers |
| RACP accreditation – define category(ies) | Advanced Training – inpatient palliative medicine (6 months)  
Advanced Training – community palliative medicine (6 months)  
Advanced training – elective term (6 months)  
Diploma training – 6 months  
Advanced training – oncology term (Radiation Oncology rotation) |
| Unit benefits (drawcard) | • Affiliated with medical school at University of Queensland  
• Research and teaching opportunities available  
• Current research includes:  
  o Clinical trials  
  o Qualitative studies  
• Teaching of medical students, nurses  
• Experienced supervisors |
| Unit case-mix | • Inpatients – 40 bed unit  
• Community service  
• Outpatient clinics  
• Day assessment clinics |
| Unit highlights / benefits | • Comprehensive multidisciplinary service  
• Excellent education programme through all levels of medical staff (including medical students), a part time research coordinator  
• Regular education sessions including:  
  o Weekly journal club  
  o Monthly radiology teaching  
  o Weekly tutorials  
• Support to attend trainee days/conferences |
| Hospital web link | [http://svphpb.org.au](http://svphpb.org.au) |