



Use your private health insurance

At King Edward Memorial Hospital

Did you know that if you have private health insurance you can choose to be treated as a public or a private patient?

Using private health insurance can help to make your stay a little more comfortable and will also directly help King Edward Memorial Hospital (KEMH).

If you have appropriate hospital cover, you will have no out-of-pocket expenses for your hospital stay and procedures (eg: hospital accommodation, pathology, radiology, intensive care unit).

Our private patient liaison officer can confirm your hospital cover in advance with you, but the vast majority of patients who use their private health insurance do not pay anything for their treatment.

You will have access to 'team' care during your stay, meaning you will receive continuity of care from the same group of multi-disciplinary health professionals. This includes doctors, nurses, midwives, social workers, physiotherapists, psychologists and dietitians – all under the leadership of a consultant.

The benefits

Single rooms

The majority of rooms at our hospital are single rooms, except those in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). While we can not guarantee you a specific room at the time of your admission, as our patients' clinical needs are our priority, there is a strong chance you will have access to a single room during your stay. Your private patient status has no bearing on the length of your stay, as that is determined by your medical needs.



Added incentives

Private patients also receive free access to our TV entertainment system; meal vouchers for your visitors (one per day) or for parents of NICU patients; toiletry pamper pack; and a daily newspaper.

Our hospital

The money from your private health fund goes directly KEMH. It can be used to maintain, develop and improve hospital equipment, help maintain facilities and enhance the patient experience.



Emergency Centre/outpatients

You do not need to use your private health insurance for Emergency Centre or outpatient (clinic) appointments. You will only use it when admitted to the hospital.

Neonatal patients

You can also opt to use your private health insurance if your baby needs care from our specialist neonatal team. There are still no out-of-pocket expenses for this specialist care.

Will I get a bill?

Our billing system should ensure that no hospital bills are sent to you. However, if you do incorrectly receive a bill, please contact us and we will happily assist you.

We are here to help

For more information about your level of health fund cover, and for advice about your options, please speak to our private patient liaison officer.

Call (08) 6458 1066

Email kemhpplo@health.wa.gov.au

Help yourself, help your hospital

Did you know that you can use your private health insurance at King Edward Memorial Hospital (KEMH) with no out-of-pocket expenses? Opting to use your private health insurance helps make your stay with us a little more comfortable, and directly helps our hospital too.



Thank you for supporting King Edward Memorial Hospital.



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