

Obstetrics & Gynaecology

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King Edward Memorial Hospital (KEMH) is the Western Australian 250-bed tertiary referral centre for women's health. The Obstetric and Gynaecology Clinical Care Unit (OGCCU) specialises in gynaecology, urogynaecology, oncology and obstetrics including specialist pregnancy care (eg, maternal fetal medicine, diabetes, adolescents and chemical dependency/substance use).

Midwifery & Nursing Practice in the Obstetrics & Gynaecology Clinical Care Unit

Up to 5000 women give birth each year at KEMH. Women with uncomplicated pregnancies can choose either the Family Birth Centre or the Labour and Birth Suite of the Hospital. Women with high-risk pregnancies are cared for within the Hospital and are referred to KEMH from all over the State.

Rewarding Midwifery Positions Include:

- Antenatal Clinics
- Diabetes Service
- Chemical Dependency Service
- Adolescent Service
- Maternal Fetal Assessment Unit
- Labour and Birth Suite
- Family Birth Centre
- Parent Education
- Obstetric antenatal and postnatal inpatient wards
- Breast Feeding Centre
- Visiting Midwifery Service
- Adult Special Care Unit
- Emergency Centre

Midwives and nurses have the opportunity to work autonomously and within multidisciplinary teams that include obstetricians, general practitioners, registered nurses and allied health professionals.

Rewarding Nursing Positions in Gynaecology include:

- Gynaecology/Oncology Ward
- Operating Theatre
- Day Surgery
- Outpatient Clinics
- Adult Special Care
- Fertility Service
- Menopause Service
- Menopause Symptoms after Cancer Clinic

Midwifery Models of Care

Midwifery Led Care

Midwives care for women with an uncomplicated pregnancy, labour and postnatal experience. The Family Birth Centre utilises this model of care.

Team Midwifery

Small teams of midwives provide continuity of care for women during pregnancy, birth and postnatally. They work within a multidisciplinary team to meet the needs of women. Women with medical or obstetric conditions not suitable for Family Birth Centre care may be considered for team care.

Programs Offered

Registered Midwife Rotation (RMR)

Midwives rotate through Clinics, Labour and Birth Suite, Antenatal/Postnatal Ward and Visiting Midwifery Service. Several weeks are spent in each area. Flexibility exists to work in other areas eg. KEMH Special Care Nursery.

Graduate Midwifery Program (GMP)

A specially tailored 12 month clinical and professional development program suitable for recently graduated midwives.

Undergraduate Nursing and Postgraduate Midwifery Clinical Placements

Clinical placements are offered to Curtin and Edith Cowan University. Registered midwives and nurses precept/mentor these students.

We offer Employees

- Clinical excellence in the care of women and babies with the provision of Evidence Based Midwifery and Nursing Guidelines
- To work within a Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative Accredited organisation
- Full-time and part-time positions
- Dedicated midwifery and nursing clinical managers for each unit who value their staff
- Clinical development midwives and nurses in each unit to provide a comprehensive orientation program and ongoing professional development support
- Midwifery and nursing research opportunities and affiliation with universities
- Comprehensive professional development study days at KEMH
- Clinical Consultant Midwife and Nursing positions to provide excellence in complex care of women and enhance midwifery and nursing skills through education, preceptorship and clinical support:
 - Clinical Midwife Consultant Labour and Birth Suite
 - Clinical Midwife Consultant Diabetes Education
 - Clinical Midwife Consultant Maternal Fetal Medicine
 - Lactation Consultant - Breastfeeding
 - Clinical Nurse Consultant Urogynaecology

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"We are not only committed to providing optimal care for our women, babies and families but to ensure our staff are fulfilled and valued."

Midwifery & Nursing Director OGCCU

Other Benefits

KEMH is located in the suburb of Subiaco only three kilometres from Perth City.

Perth is renowned for its great weather, beaches, cafes, social and sporting activities where it is easy to meet friendly people and enjoy yourself.

For a nominal fortnightly fee staff can join the Hospital's Gym Club which entitles them to unlimited use of the well-equipped gym.

Staff can also join the social club and engage in a wide range of fun events.

By contributing a small fortnightly subscription to the Nurses' and Midwives' General Purpose Fund staff may be sponsored to attend conferences, lectures and other education forums.

Like More Information?

Visit the WCHS website:

www.wnhs.health.wa.gov.au.

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