

Our History

In 2018, Jasine Leslie, Registered Nurse and Founder, in her working capacity transferred “Sally” a palliative care patient to hospital via ambulance where she died 48 hours later in short stay, not even making it to a bed on a ward.

She was devastated that there was nowhere that she could send Sally in her final hours.

Flowers that “Sally's” husband sent initiated the journey to establish the region's first not-for-profit Hospice.

Jasine gathered together a group of like-minded locals with the same vision and focus who wanted to be able to provide a fee-free inpatient palliative care facility for people with a terminal illness on the Fraser Coast.

Through successful networking and engagement, federal government funding was received to cover the costs of the building with Fraser Coast Regional Council providing the land on a peppercorn lease.

Following extensive community consultation and support, Fraser Coast Hospice received the first client into their care on 27th October 2021.



Fraser Coast Hospice

For enquiries regarding admissions please call and make an appointment to meet with our Director of Care or Clinical Nurse.

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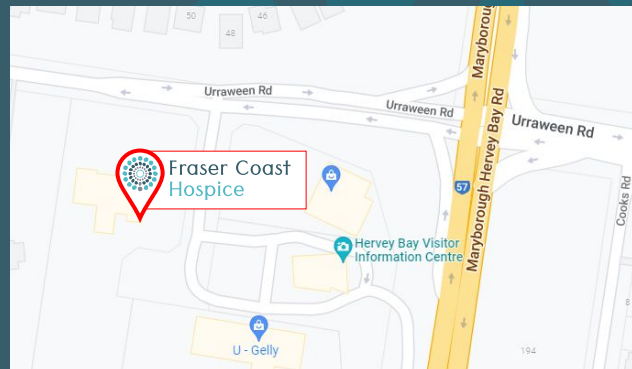
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Fraser Coast Hospice

a place of peace



Information Brochure

What is the Fraser Coast Hospice?

Fraser Coast Hospice is a registered charity, not for profit, 6 bed inpatient facility that provides fee-free palliative care for people over the age of 18 years who have a terminal illness.

We are licensed as a private hospital through the Private Health Regulation Unit of Queensland Health (PHRU) and accredited with the Australian Council on Healthcare Standards (ACHS) against the National Standards for Quality and Safety in Healthcare (NSQSH).

Our facility is short term for people within the last days and weeks of life. We provide an alternative to end-of-life care at home or in hospital.

Who owns & operates the Fraser Coast Hospice?

Fraser Coast Hospice is owned and operated by the Fraser Coast Hospice Association Incorporated. A Board of Directors elected by the Association provides the governance and strategic direction for the facility. The Director of Care is responsible for the day to day operations.

We rely on the generous support of our community to be able to provide our service at no cost.

Who will be looking after me at Fraser Coast Hospice?

A specially trained multi-disciplinary team of doctors, registered nurses, personal care assistants and volunteers will be looking after you and your family while you are an inpatient at Fraser Coast Hospice. You may be able to have your own doctor co-ordinate your care if they are credentialled to visit our facility but if not, we can help you to find a doctor.

How can I refer to the Fraser Coast Hospice?

Referrals can be accepted by prospective clients themselves, families, doctors, domiciliary nursing services and hospitals. Call us on 07 4334 0030 to discuss.

What costs are associated with admission to Fraser Coast Hospice?

Fraser Coast Hospice is a fee-free palliative care service, however there may be items such as pathology, radiology, doctor visits and other medical equipment that may not be covered.

Clients and their families are also required to cover the cost of medications supplied by our contracted pharmacy. This is similar to be at home and purchasing your own medications from your local pharmacy.

Anyone over the age of 18 years with a terminal illness can access our inpatient service whether they have private health insurance or not.

Visiting Hours

Fraser Coast Hospice doesn't have any set visiting hours allowing visitors to come and go as they please in line with clients and their families wishes. Families/significant others may stay overnight supported by the comfort of our Family Room.

Comments & Suggestions

We value feedback from our clients and their families. This helps us evaluate our service and implement important changes.

If you would like to provide us with any comments or suggestions please ask our staff for assistance or visit our website.

What can I bring into the Hospice to help my or my loved ones stay more comfortable?

- Continence aids
- Moisturizer
- Barrier cream
- Lip balm
- Medications you already have at home
- Comfortable clothing such as split back nighties and night shirts
- Favourite foods

Please feel free to discuss further with our nursing staff.

Voluntary assisted dying

Fraser Coast Hospice does not provide voluntary assisted dying services.

If you wish to access voluntary assisted dying, we will help you to do this.

For some parts of the process you may need to be transferred to and from another place, so you can access voluntary assisted dying. We will facilitate this transfer if it is needed and ensure it does not impact your care or condition.

Fraser Coast Hospice will continue providing other medical care and treatment to people who are accessing voluntary assisted dying.

For more information visit www.health.qld.gov.au/vad.