



# Maternity Service

Our Maternity team support patients throughout pregnancy, labour, birth and the early days of parenting. We provide maternity care services across two of our campuses:

- Joan Kirner Women’s and Children’s (JKWC) at Sunshine Hospital
- Bacchus Marsh Hospital.

We are a multidisciplinary team of obstetricians, midwives, and allied health professionals.

Clinics operate 0800 to 2100hrs Monday to Thursday and 0800 to 1630 Fridays.

Women requesting maternity care at Western Health require a GP referral. GPs are required to provide the following information and tests results for triaging and appointment allocation.

*Please note due to significant demand on maternity services across the West, certain suburbs are currently serviced by Western Health and may change depending on demand and capacity. For a list of suburbs, please see [Maternity Referrals | Western Health](#) – accordion item ‘Referral Suburbs’*

Utilise standardised referral template located here: [Maternity Referrals | Western Health](#)

Referral Condition	Key Information Points	Clinical Investigations Include details of pathology/radiology provider used
<p>Patient requiring maternity care</p> <p>Routine referral at 10-12 weeks.</p> <p>If higher risk, please refer earlier and do not wait for all pathology and imaging to be completed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status</li> <li>• Last normal menstrual period/ Estimated delivery date</li> <li>• Height, weight and BMI</li> <li>• Blood pressure</li> <li>• Allergies</li> <li>• Patient decision re aneuploidy screening – Please provide referral if consents</li> <li>• Current medications</li> </ul>	<p><b>Mandatory investigation results from the current pregnancy:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Blood group and antibodies</li> <li>○ Full blood examination</li> <li>○ Iron Studies</li> <li>○ Hepatitis B serology</li> <li>○ Hepatitis C serology</li> <li>○ Syphilis serology</li> <li>○ Rubella antibodies</li> <li>○ HIV antibodies</li> <li>○ MSU M&amp;C</li> <li>○ Ultrasound and aneuploidy results undertaken (and attach if available)</li> <li>○ Any haemoglobin electrophoresis screening completed</li> </ul>

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- Smoking or other substance use
- All relevant obstetric, medical and surgical history
- Relevant mental health, social, genetic and family history
- Any reasons that identify your patient as high risk or in need of early hospital assessment (as stated on referral form)

**Additional tests (consider)**

- Varicella antibodies
- Chlamydia PCR
- Early diabetes screening (HBA1C)
- Vitamin D
- TSH
- Cervical screening
- Genetic Carrier screening (FXS, SMA, CF)
- Fetal RHD NIPT (15-26 wks. If Rh-ve)
- Placental Growth Factor (PIGF)

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