

## **Service summary**

Name of service	Kimberley Palliative Care Service
Contact details	Palliative Care Office phone:(08) 9194 2325Fax:(08) 9194 2899Email:Kimberley.PalliativeCareService@health.wa.gov.auClinical Nurse Specialist:0429 299 549 (office hours only)
Hours of service	Monday to Friday 8.00am to 4.00pm
After hours	WACHS Palliative Care Afterhours Telehealth Service (PalCATS)
Street address	<b>Broome Office:</b> 46 Walcott Street, Broome WA 6725 <b>Kununurra Office:</b> 96 Coolibah Drive, Kununurra WA 6743
Website address	Not available
Service type	<ul> <li>Consultation – Nurse led</li> <li>Palliative Care Consultant – Video link reviews available via Health Direct Monday and Thursday afternoons 1.00pm to 4.00pm, available in both east and west Kimberley</li> <li>Palliative Care Consultant in Broome – Palliative Care District Medical Officers in Broome and Kununurra</li> </ul>
Service profile	<ul> <li>Specialised palliative care consultancy within the Kimberley region.</li> <li>Comprehensive nursing and allied health care in collaboration with the local medical practitioner based on the unique needs of the patients, their carer and family when facing a life limiting prognosis including:</li> <li>assistance with care coordination</li> <li>symptom assessment and management</li> <li>addressing emotional and social concerns</li> <li>providing quality care for those approaching the end of life</li> <li>assistance with clinical decision making</li> <li>bereavement support.</li> </ul>



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Allied health services	<ul><li>Social Worker (Specialised)</li><li>Aboriginal Health Worker (Specialised).</li></ul>
	Access to generalist allied health professionals, including:
	Aboriginal Liaison Officer
	Dietitian
	<ul> <li>Occupational Therapist</li> <li>Descreasist</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>Pharmacist</li><li>Physiotherapist</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Podiatrist</li> </ul>
	Speech Therapist.
Admission criteria	Progressive life-limiting disease (malignant or non-malignant) with limited prognosis requiring specialist consultation and/or symptom management and support.
Referral process	All referrals require the consent of the patient
	Completion of Regional Specialist Palliative Care Referral form:
	referrals within WACHS via e-Referrals
	referrals from outside WACHS paper based – Regional Specialist Palliative Care Referral form.
	<ul> <li>Urgent referrals by phone call to Clinical Nurse Specialist followed up with completion of Specialist Palliative Care Referral form.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Written referrals also accepted.</li> </ul>
Palliative care discharge criteria	Based on discretion of the Palliative Care team and in discussion with the GP, primary team, the patient and their family/carer.
Niche services	Kimberley Palliative Care Service supports, educates and liaises with all health providers in the Kimberley region including hospitals, GP's, ACCHO's, AMS', Aged Care, NDIS, and remote clinics.