

## Government of Western Australia WA Country Health Service







## **Geraldton Health Campus**

#### Start your country adventure

- √ Work to your full scope
- √ Be part of a close-knit and supportive team
- √ Have the adventure of a lifetime

With a focus on providing safe maternity care for mothers and babies in partnership with the local medical team, Geraldton Health Campus provides maternity care to local women throughout their antenatal, labour, birth and postnatal period. A three cot, Level 2 Special Care Nursery is also available.

The Geraldton Health Campus midwifery team manages around 480 planned births annually of low and moderate risk. Midwifery staff have access to on-call specialist obstetricians, paediatricians and anaesthetists to assist with care of patients within the maternity ward and via an in-home visiting midwifery service.

Midwives will experience care in the shared-care model with local general practitioner obstetricians and independent midwives as well as in the local Aboriginal Medical Service offering antenatal care by midwives.

When it's time to take a break, the Midwest is yours to explore. There are many outdoor activities to enjoy including camping, fishing, boating, four-wheel driving and the spectacular Coral Coast.



Our midwives service women in Geraldton and surrounding areas.



#### We provide:

- √ Specialist model of care
- ✓ Hypnobirthing classes
- ✓ Lactation support services (via telehealth)
- √ Visiting midwifery services available to women once discharged from hospital
- ✓ Caesarean section procedures
- ✓ Level 2 Special Care Nursery



# Excellence in country maternal and newborn care

WA Country Health Service strives to provide excellent maternal and newborn care to country women and their families, supporting them to remain closer to home and on country where possible.

We believe working with women and families during pregnancy and into early childhood provides the opportunity to improve the health of women and babies immediately, with flow-on benefits to the wider community for generations to come.

We offer supportive, collaborative maternity service models including our PROMPT education program, NeoResus program, K2 Infant Guardian CTG system, and coming soon, the Athena e-maternity record. We promote use of the full scope of practice with flexible work arrangements and opportunities for innovative midwifery staff to take on leadership roles and progress quickly up the career ladder.

We provide a range of maternal services in our hospitals including antenatal, birthing and postnatal care.

There are 18 maternity sites across the regions, with Midwifery Group Practice available at 10 of those sites. We operate a specialist model of care at our six major regional hospitals and GP Obstetrics at 11 maternity sites.



### Midwifery and Obstetrics Emergency Telehealth Service

Our Midwifery and Obstetrics Emergency Telehealth Service (MOETS) is a 24/7 service that supports country clinicians caring for antenatal and intrapartum patients across our hospitals and health sites.

#### Support includes:

Consultant obstetrician advice via the regional on-call system

Maternal and neonatal transfers

Clinical policy advice and guidance

Care planning advice and decision-making

Escalation of care and clinical conflict of opinion

Second clinician reviews of Cardiotocographs (CTGs)

Second opinions

Perinatal loss and bereavement care advice

Virtual bedside support during obstetric emergencies

Support to non-birthing sites for unplanned maternity and gynaecological presentation

WA Country Health Service has a strong network of public hospitals, health services and nursing posts located across rural and remote Western Australia. Our core business is to provide quality, accessible health services to people living in large regional centres to small remote communities.

Hear from our staff why they love working in country WA

WA Country Health Service - In their words