

Brief History

The concept of the development of the hospital in Murray Bridge was first publicly conceived at a general meeting held on 13 January 1919. It was decided to proceed with the development of a hospital that would be dedicated as a Soldiers' Memorial Hospital, in remembrance of the Soldiers who had fallen in World War I and in any future wars.

Planning and fundraising proceeded for a couple of years and land was donated by Mr William Jaensch in 1921. The 26 bed hospital was opened on 20 August 1923. Further extensions have been added since that time: 1938 (11 beds), 1960 (7 beds), 1965 (17 beds). Additional land was purchased in 1964 and in 1969 a major rebuilding program was commenced and was officially opened in October 1971.

Additional rebuilding and extension programs were carried out in 1979 and 1982 which resulted in new theatres, diagnostic services and a general upgrading of many areas. In 2000, minor redevelopment was carried out on the Day Surgery, North Wing and Heddle Wing areas which allowed the maternity section to integrate with the general patient area. In 2004 to 2007 the hospital undertook a major redevelopment project of the Hospital and Community Health Service which was completed in November 2007.

The Murray Bridge Soldiers' Memorial Hospital is a 47 bed acute hospital comprising medical, surgical and maternity and an operating theatre complex which includes day surgery.

Hospital Services

- > Accident & Emergency
- > Day Surgery
- > Ears, Nose & Throat
- > General Medical
- > General Surgery
- > Gynaecology
- > Home Dialysis
- > Maternity
- > Medical Imaging
- > Orthopaedics
- > Plastic Surgery
- > Urology

Hospital Staff

Administration Department

Executive Department:

- > Regional Director, Riverland Mallee Coorong Region
- > Director of Nursing & Midwifery
- > Corporate Services Manager, Riverland Mallee Coorong Region
- > Aboriginal Services Manager, Riverland Mallee Coorong Region
- > Executive Assistant

Health Information Management:

- > Medical Records
- > Coding

Hotel Services (Catering, Cleaning & Maintenance):

- > Manager, Business & Environment Services
- > Hotel Services Manager

Medical Imaging Department

Nursing Division

- > Clinical Services Coordinators
- > Associate Clinical Services Coordinators
- > Admission & Discharge Coordinator
- > Infection Control Nurse
- > Aboriginal Health Worker (Hospital based)
- > Community Midwife
- > Registered & Enrolled Nurses
- > Registered Midwives
- > Theatre
- > Ward Clerks

Vision, Mission and Values of Country Health SA Local Health Network

VISION

To be the best rural health service.

MISSION

Growing better services in country, keeping people well at home.

VALUES

- > Customer Focus – we centre our decisions around our customer, patient and client's needs and value their input.
- > Collaboration – we accomplish more together.
- > Care – we care about our consumers and workforce.
- > Creativity – we create innovative ways of achieving better outcomes.
- > Courage – we act with courage and show respect.

Murray Bridge Community

Facilities within the community

Restaurants
Take Away venues
Hotels / Motels
Sporting & Gym Facilities
Riverview Speedway
Pedal Prix
Main street with extensive shopping facilities
Shopping Centres
Monarto Zoological Complex
Christmas Parade & Fireworks display
Water sports
Houseboat Marina
Cinema Facilities
Extensive Childcare & Schooling (public & private)

For more information

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