

Melanoma Unit

Calvary Mater Newcastle Melanoma Unit provides a full range of services for management of melanoma from early detection, surgical management, medical treatment and palliative care.

Surgical management is carried out by a team of surgeons. Surgical staff include Dr. Ralph Gourlay, Dr. Linda Fenton and Dr. Richard Levy. The Unit is participating in an international trial to determine if a full lymph node dissection is needed if melanoma is detected in so called "sentinel lymph nodes" near the site of the primary cancer.

The Nurse Unit Manager is Kelly Crawford - contact 4921 1116.

Patients must be referred by their local doctors to surgeons in the Unit. When you have your referral, please contact the Unit on 02 4985 0100.

If you call our reception and you reach voicemail please leave a message and someone will return your call within five days.

If you are a medical professional and wish to contact a clinical staff member, please call after 4.30pm. If you reach our voicemail, please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as we can.

Professor Peter Hersey is the Unit's Director of Research. When appropriate, patients are given the opportunity of participating in clinical trials for new therapies for melanoma. Many of these are sponsored by international trial organisations or pharmaceutical companies.

Dr. Pauline Hanrahan is the Unit's Trials Co-ordinator – Telephone (02) 4985 0179.