

Dear Patients and Carers

Parking is a problem for many people attending the hospital, however it poses an extra challenge for many of our patients that need to attend appointments up to many times per week for treatment.

We recognise that parking is not a trivial issue for our cancer / haematology/ palliative care patients and have spent a great deal of time and effort trying to address this difficult issue within the confines of available parking space.

The Crown Princess Mary Cancer Centre Westmead provides services to hundreds of people per day and unfortunately have access to only 30 designated parking spots. Whilst in no way adequate to meet our needs we have tried to come up with a plan that attempts to address the needs of our sickest and most needy patients.

In consultation with many sources including NSW Cancer Council, cancer patients, various hospital departments and other users of our service, we have come up with the parking arrangements detailed overleaf.

With parking on the Westmead Hospital campus at a premium, we have provided information on the alternatives which are outlined overleaf (eg: street/ Parramatta Park/ public transport options).

If you feel that you can provide some helpful feedback to assist us to improve the new parking arrangements, we would be very pleased to hear from you. Feedback forms can be obtained from the Front Reception of the Centre.

Please know that the staff of The Crown Princess Mary Cancer Centre Westmead are working together to try and improve the current parking situation for our patients who are our priorities.

The Crown Princess Mary Cancer Centre, Westmead

PARKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR CANCER CENTRE PATIENTS

IF ARE YOU HAVING CURRENT RADIOTHERAPY OR CHEMOTHERAPY TREATMENT



You can use the parking area directly outside the Cancer Centre.

Limited free parking is available <u>only</u> to cancer/haematological and blood disorder patients currently receiving radiation therapy or chemotherapy treatment.

A valid car parking permit will need to be displayed on the windscreen of your car to avoid a \$99.00 fine.

Enquire at Front Reception of Cancer Centre for a parking permit and boom-gate access card (A \$25.00 fully refundable deposit is required)

IF YOU ARE NOT CURRENTLY HAVING RADIOTHERAPY OR CHEMOTHERAPY BUT HERE FOR A CLINIC APPOINTMENTS / BLOOD TESTS / ETC



Parking is available in a number of car parks on Westmead Hospital campus for a

<u>Car Park 3</u> (off Hawkesbury Rd – just past Accident and Emergency Entrance)
Car Park 3 is for visitor and patient parking and a flat rate of \$8 in gold coins on entry is required.

<u>Car Park 1</u> (corner of Darcy and Hawkesbury Rd – near Main Entrance)

Patients/visitors access by taking a ticket on entry. Parking fees in Car Park 1 are based on length of stay, allowing patients/visitors to pay only for the time they spend at the Hospital. **Street Parking:** Free timed general parking is available on the surrounding streets. available

IF YOU ARE BEING DROPPED OFF ONLY

If you are being dropped off at the Centre for treatment or consultation etc, your driver will still be able to access the drop off zone immediately outside the Centre by pushing the button on the boom-gate, speaking to security and letting them know you are being dropped off for treatment or a consultation at the Centre. Once drop off is complete your driver will need to vacate this area by departing back through boom gates.

* Parking infringement officers will be patrolling this drop-off zone and issuing fines for cars parked unattended for longer than a few minutes.

IF YOU HOLD A VALID DISABILITY PARKING CARD



There are 9 allocated free parking bays for disabled parking card holders located adjacent to the entrance to The Crown Princess Mary Cancer Centre.

There are also a number of free disabled parking spaces at the University Clinics.

If you would like more information about our parking arrangements please obtain our Car Parking Policy document from the Front Reception Desk of the Cancer Centre.