

Your guide to Gold Coast dementia diagnostic services, specialist care and future planning

Dealing with a dementia diagnosis can be overwhelming. Your local doctor (GP) can guide you through the uncertainty and help you access the necessary support. This booklet outlines the services and support available that you, your family or friends may need now and into the future.

Pre-diagnosis services

Gold Coast Health – Cognitive Disorders Service

Provides a diagnostic service for adults over the age of 45 experiencing a progressive decline in cognition, memory or language. A comprehensive diagnostic and treatment initiation service is provided by the multidisciplinary team. Following diagnosis and treatment commencement, patients will return to their general practioners for continuing care.

Health Centre

Location

Contact 07 5635 6262

Referrals
GP - Via Smart Referrals

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Robina Private Hospital – Memory Clinic (Assessment Clinic)

Provides a comprehensive memory clinic assessment that benefits people experiencing memory loss or who feel their ability to think clearly has worsened.

Location
Robina
Private
Hospital

Contact 07 5665 5100

Referrals GP



Post-diagnosis services

Dementia Australia - Post-Diagnostic Support

Free sessions for people of all ages diagnosed with dementia, or assessed with mild cognitive impairment, designed to help you manage your diagnosis and live well.

LocationPhone and
Online

Contact 1800 100 500

Learn more



Dementia Australia - About Dementia

Provides information on what dementia is, its symptoms, diagnosis, treatment and available support.

Location Online

Contact

1800 100 500

Learn more



Dementia Australia - Living with Dementia

Provides information on living with dementia, how to plan ahead and what you can do to stay safe, connected, healthy and active with dementia.

Location Online

Contact 1800 100 500 Learn more



Ozcare - Dementia Advisory and Support Service

The Dementia Advisory and Support Service offers information and support to people with dementia and their families throughout Queensland.

LocationGold Coast
and Phone

Contact 1800 692 273



Specialist care

Healthy Ageing Gold Coast

Dr Rohit Bansal offers specialist care in dementia types and characteristics, behavioural and psychological symptoms of dementia, cognitive impairment and delirium.

Location

Contact 07 5689 4771 John Flynn

Specialist Suites. Tugun

reception@healthageinggoldcoast.net

Referrals

GP or other specialists

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Gold Coast Memory Disorders Clinic

To make appointments for clinical consultations with Dr Philip Morris, Gold Coast Memory Disorders Clinic appointments, medico-legal evaluations and competency assessments, please call the contact number below.

Location Southport Contact

07 5620 0550

plpmorris1@gmail.com

Referrals

GP or other specialists

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LifeSpan Specialists

LifeSpan Specialists is a dedicated healthcare team focused on geriatric care and cognitive health. The team is comprised of experienced Geriatricians and Physicians, along with a Dementia Counsellor and Psychotherapist.

Location

Contact

John Flynn John Flynn Private Hospital

Private 07 5598 0234

Hospital, info@lifespangc.com Tugun and

Gold Coast **Gold Coast Private Hospital**

Private 07 5530 0770

admin@gcpss.com.au Hospital, Southport

Referrals

GP or other specialists



Robina Private Hospital – Healthy Minds

A 12-session, evidence-based Cognitive Stimulation Therapy program to help those experiencing mood symptoms associated with cognitive impairment. Beneficial for people over 50 years of age who are experiencing adjustment difficulties, anxiety and/or depression related to mild cognitive impairment and mild to moderate dementia.

Location Robina	Contact 07 5665 5100	Learn more
	Referrals GP	

Robina Private Hospital – Memory Clinic (BPSD Clinic)

Undertakes assessment and management for those experiencing adverse Behavioural and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia (BPSD).

Location Robina	Contact 07 5665 5100	Learn more
	Referrals GP	

The Memory Centre

Manages complex medical conditions such as Dementia and Alzheimer's, and offers a multidisciplinary team approach to caring for older adults.

Location Southport	Contact 07 5597 9040	Learn more
	Referrals GP	

Planning for the future

Gold Coast Health - Advance Care Planning (ACP) Service

Supports individuals to consider, discuss and document their future healthcare preferences within approved Queensland Health forms. This information will only be used by the healthcare teams when the person cannot make or communicate their decisions due to illness or cognitive impairment. ACP can be done at any time, regardless of health status or age. If you would like to discuss the benefits of planning for the future and receive assistance to complete your selected forms, request a referral to the Advance Care Planning Service next time you get admitted to hospital or attend an outpatient appointment at a Gold Coast Health facility.

Location

Contact

Southport

07 5687 4138 / 07 5687 5611 and Robina gchhsacp@health.gld.gov.au

Learn more



Planning your future care today

This GCPHN booklet provides easy to understand information about advance care planning. Please visit the link below to download or request a copy, or visit your local Gold Coast Library.

Resource Online and

Print

Contact

07 5635 2455

Learn more



Office of the Public Guardian

Independent statutory office established to protect the rights, interests and wellbeing of adults with impaired decision-making capacity, advocating for their rights, access to services, independence and choices.

Location Online

Contact

1300 653 187



Queensland Public Trustee

Provide essential support, services and information for Queenslanders in financial administration, life planning, trusts and deceased estate management.

Location Southport

Contact 1300 360 044

<u>Learn more</u>



ADA Australia - Aged and Disability Advocacy Australia

Advocacy services including assisting people who are having issues with accessing Commonwealth Funded aged care programs, elder abuse, human rights and legal help.

Location
Online

Contact 1800 818 338





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