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## What is the Oncology & Haematology Hospital in the Home Service?

Hospital in the Home (HITH) provides a specialist home service for eligible Oncology and Haematology patients who require:

- Some chemotherapy and immunotherapy treatments at home
- Blood tests and assessments after admission for chemotherapy and stem cell transplants
- Other intravenous treatments for conditions related to cancer

HITH Nurses work closely with your Oncology and Haematology specialists and departments. This includes Eastern Health's Oncology Day Centres at Maroondah, Box Hill and Yarra Ranges, and the Haematology and Oncology Ward at Box Hill Hospital.

The HITH team is also supported by Allied Health services.

**To speak with a HITH Coordinator, please phone 0418 366 239 / Monday to Sunday (between 8.00am-4:30pm).**

## How does this service work in your home?

- You will receive treatment which is directed by the hospital Oncology/Haematology doctors at Eastern Health and the care is delivered by experienced HITH Oncology/Haematology Nurses
- The Oncology/Haematology HITH Nurse delivers the treatment, monitors your condition, and reports your progress to the Oncology/Haematology doctor
- Eastern Health will provide you with all care and equipment at no cost to you
- If your situation changes – either your home or medical condition – you may be referred back to the Hospital Day Oncology Centre, the Oncology/Haematology Ward or the Emergency Department
- Not all treatments can be delivered at home

## Benefits of the HITH Oncology & Haematology Service

- It provides an alternative to treatment in the Day Oncology Centre or Oncology Ward
- It can deliver chemotherapy or other related oncology treatments in the comfort of your home.
- It gives you the opportunity to meet commitments or the possibility of returning to work.

## Are you eligible to receive your treatment at home?

You are eligible for this service

- if you are willing to receive treatment at home
- if your treatment is suitable to be given at home
- if you are medically stable and your Oncology/Haematology doctor agrees that you can be treated at home

## Your role as a participant with HITH Oncology & Haematology Service

- You have to inform HITH staff if you find any changes in your condition
- You have to prevent any pets from interfering during staff visits
- You have to provide a clear area and table space for your treatment
- If you have any concerns regarding your care, please contact the **Nurse Unit Manager** via Reception on 03 **9871 3197**

### **HITH Oncology and Haematology Service Contact details & Service Hours:**

MONDAY – SUNDAY

8.00am – 4:30pm

Ph: 0418 366 239

### **After Hours:**

Box Hill Hospital - Ward 4.1

03 8396 8459

**In the event of a medical emergency, please call an ambulance on 000**

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