

EAST GRAMPIANS HEALTH SERVICE  
VALUE STATEMENTS



**INTEGRITY**

We value integrity, honesty and respect in all relationships



**EXCELLENCE**

We value excellence as the appropriate standard for all services and practices



**COMMUNITY**

We respect the dignity and rights of our community and acknowledge their beliefs, regardless of their cultural, spiritual or socioeconomic background



**WORKING TOGETHER**

We value equally all people who make a contribution to EGHS to achieve shared goals



**LEARNING CULTURE**

We strive to continually learn and develop through education, training, mentoring and by teaching others

## Oncology Department Office Hours

Girdlestone Street, Ararat 3377

8.30 am to 12.30 pm

1.00 pm to 5.00 pm

P: 03 5352 9499

F: 03 5352 9495

Appointments can be made through  
the Ballarat Office 03 5352 9499 or on  
Wednesdays 03 5352 9499.

Enquiries can be made during the  
week on 03 5352 9434.

## Volunteers

A number of volunteers from the Ararat Breast Cancer Support Group and other volunteers deliver morning tea and lunch to oncology patients which is provided by the health service.

These volunteers also stay and chat with patients and provide support.



Improving the health of our community

The East Grampians Health Service  
Oncology Department offers cancer  
care services to the Ararat and  
District.

P: 03 5352 9499 F: 03 5352 9495

E: [chemotherapy@eghs.net.au](mailto:chemotherapy@eghs.net.au)

## Oncology Department

The East Grampians Health Service Oncology Department provides chemotherapy and haematology services in the newly renovated unit on the first floor of the hospital.

The development of Oncology Services locally has enabled people diagnosed with cancer to receive the best care and treatment close to home. Reduced travelling time means less disruption in patient's lives.

The service is currently available once a week and allows for patients to continue their cancer treatment regime locally.



## Dr Craig Carden

Dr Craig Carden is an Oncologist and opened Ballarat Cancer Care in 2012.

He has extensive experience in oncology both nationally and internationally and joined the EGHS oncology department in 2011, assuming sole responsibility for the clinic in 2013.



Dr Craig Carden consults on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month and Oncology Nurse Practitioner Carmel O'Kane on alternative weeks.

Four Chemotherapy trained registered nurses experienced in chemotherapy, palliative care, community nursing and acute care are supported by the Grampians Integrated Cancer Service, Oncology Nurse Practitioner and a Breast Care Nurse.

## Did you know . . . ?

You are able to have a CT Scan in the Medical Imaging Department at EGHS.

An accredited Breast Care Nurse is available to assist with information, support and give direction to support services.

The department can support patients treated in other centres for treatment disconnections and port flushes.

Supportive care screening has been introduced to identify patient's supportive care needs.

If you need to travel more than 100km one way or on average 500km per week for a minimum of five consecutive weeks for specialist treatment, you may be able to claim a subsidy from the Victorian Transport Assistance Scheme.

For more information on the Oncology services available at East Grampians Health Service please contact the Nurse Unit Manager, Lorine Paterson on (03) 5352 9434.

