

Government of Western Australia WA Country Health Service

### JOIN OUR MIDWIFERY TEAM





## **Margaret River Hospital**

#### Start your country adventure

- ✓ Work to your full scope
- $\checkmark$  Be part of a close-knit and supportive team
- $\checkmark$  Have the adventure of a lifetime

As a midwife at Margaret River you will provide care across the continuum of pregnancy and up to six weeks postnatal. You will support low-risk women to birth at either Margaret River Hospital or Busselton Health Campus and deliver antenatal and postnatal care to women who choose to birth elsewhere or are recommended to for obstetric reasons.

With the introduction of Midwifery Group Practice care in April 2022, birth rates at the hospital have doubled from the previous year, with midwives working collaboratively with GP obstetricians to deliver local care to families of the Wadandi region, from Metricup to Augusta.

When it's time to take a break, the South West is yours to explore. Think beachfront cycle ways, walking paths that turn into hiking trails and throw in the odd regional park along the way. With thriving local farmers' markets, creative and cultural events, there's always something happening.



Our midwives service women from Metricup to Augusta.



#### We provide:

- ✓ Midwifery Group Practice model of care with GP obstetric support
- Antenatal, intrapartum and postnatal care
- ✓ Hypnobirthing classes
- ✓ Lactation support services (via telehealth)
- Community midwifery services
- Visiting midwifery service
- Water births



We deliver 2 babies each month.

# Excellence in country maternal and newborn care

WA Country Health Service strives to provide excellent maternal and newborn care to country women and their families, supporting them to remain closer to home and on country where possible.

We believe working with women and families during pregnancy and into early childhood provides the opportunity to improve the health of women and babies immediately, with flow-on benefits to the wider community for generations to come.

We offer supportive, collaborative maternity service models including our PROMPT education program, NeoResus program, K2 Infant Guardian CTG system, and coming soon, the Athena e-maternity record. We promote use of the full scope of practice with flexible work arrangements and opportunities for innovative midwifery staff to take on leadership roles and progress quickly up the career ladder.

We provide a range of maternal services in our hospitals including antenatal, birthing and postnatal care.

There are 18 maternity sites across the regions, with Midwifery Group Practice available at 10 of those sites. We operate a specialist model of care at our six major regional hospitals and GP Obstetrics at 11 maternity sites.



### Midwifery and Obstetrics Emergency Telehealth Service

Our Midwifery and Obstetrics Emergency Telehealth Service (MOETS) is a 24/7 service that supports country clinicians caring for antenatal and intrapartum patients across our hospitals and health sites.

#### Support includes:

Consultant obstetrician advice via the regional on-call system

Maternal and neonatal transfers

Clinical policy advice and guidance

Care planning advice and decision-making

Escalation of care and clinical conflict of opinion

Second clinician reviews of Cardiotocographs (CTGs)

Second opinions

Perinatal loss and bereavement care advice

Virtual bedside support during obstetric emergencies

Support to non-birthing sites for unplanned maternity and gynaecological presentation

WA Country Health Service has a strong network of public hospitals, health services and nursing posts located across rural and remote Western Australia. Our core business is to provide quality, accessible health services to people living in large regional centres to small remote communities. Hear from our staff why they love working in country WA

WA Country Health Service -In their words