

**Information for Patients**

**Welcome to Angaston Medical Centre**

Angaston Medical Centre (AMC) is an accredited Medical Practice of registered General Practitioners providing a high standard of ‘whole person’ primary care to the community.

Our doctors are trained in minor surgical procedures and maintain and improve their general practice credentials by regular involvement in educational programs and ongoing study and offer inpatient and casualty services at Angaston District Hospital.

To assist our patients, we have provided answers to some frequently asked questions of our practice.

***What services do you offer?***

Our services are centred around ensuring we can provide ‘Whole Person’ care to our patients. Whole person care recognises that the best way to care for people with complex needs is to consider their full spectrum of needs. It is the coordination of health, behavioural health and social services in a patient-centred manner with the goals of improved health outcomes.

Our services include:

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| * Check-ups
 | * Pap smears
 | * All vaccinations
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| * Annual medicals
 | * Ante-natal shared care
 | * Minor surgery
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| * Sleep disorders
 | * Travel medicine
 | * Cryotherapy
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| * Family planning
 | * ECG
 | * Acupuncture
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| * Mirena
 | * Heart checks
 | * Weight control
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| * Asthma Clinic
 | * Adult & Youth Counselling
 | * Sports medicine
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| * Quit smoking programs
* Pain Management
* Skin Checks
* Chronic disease Management
 | * Health promotion
* Women’s health
* Men’s health
* Anaesthetics
 | * Dermatoscopy
* Lifestyle medicine
* Anaesthetics
* Dietician
* Minor surgical procedures
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***Where can I access your services?***

AMC has two practices in Angaston and one outreach service.

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| **Murray Street** | **Health on Washington** | **Swan Reach** |
| 46 Murray StreetAngastonMon – Fri 9am – 5:30pmTelephone8564 2266 | 3-7 Fife StreetAngastonMon – Fri 9am – 5:30pmSat 9am – 11amTelephone8564 2266 | Nildottie RoadWednesdaysTelephone8570 2462 |

***What if I need a doctor after hours?***

We provide emergency and casualty services 24/7 at the Angaston District Hospital. After hours, we prefer to see patients at Angaston District Hospital where additional resources are available if required. Angaston Medical Centre GPs provide a private, after-hours accident and emergency service at Angaston District Hospital to ensure locals have access to quality health care when required. Therefore, patients treated at Angaston Hospital by our doctors will receive an invoice for the service with the full amount to be paid. This includes treatment for Concession Card Holders and children.

If your situation is not life threatening but you need medical attention, please call Health Direct on 1800 022 222 for further advice. In the case of a life-threatening emergency, dial 000 for an ambulance.

***Do you do home visits?***

We provide a home visiting service for patients who are too sick to come to the practice at our doctor’s discretion and when clinically appropriate.

***What are your consultation fee requirements?***

Full payment on the day of service for consultations is required unless it is an after-hours, emergency or home visit. Some consultations may be bulk billed through Medicare depending on the current billing policy, concessional eligibility and the service provided. Payment plan options are available for patients experiencing financial difficulties and can be arranged with our Operations Manager.

Department of Veteran Affairs Gold Card holders are Bulk Billed.

A list of our fees can be found on our website or at reception.

***How do I make an appointment?***

We offer three different ways of making an appointment

* Reception – 8564 2266
* Online - [www.angastonmedicalcentre.com.au](http://www.angastonmedicalcentre.com.au)
* HotDoc - Download the free HotDoc app on your mobile

***Will you remind me of my appointments?***

If you have a mobile phone, we will text you to remind you of your appointment. We also send reminder messages for preventative health care appointments such as Pap Smears, Vaccinations and Bowel Screening. Please let our reception staff know should you not wish to receive reminders.

***What if I do not attend my appointment?***

Should a patient not attend an appointment, without cancellation of at least one hours’ notice, or 24 hours’ notice for our Care Plan nurses, they will incur a non-attendance fee which is based on our current fees and the length of appointment missed.

Exceptions may be made for those with a valid reason for non-attendance.

***I only need a repeat prescription, do I need to book an appointment?***

Yes, you will need to make an appointment. We want to ensure the prescription is still right for you. Some prescriptions are eligible for our prescription only appointments. These appointments are only 5 mins and are available during office hours at 9am, 2pm and 5pm. Please check with our reception to determine if your prescription is eligible for this service.

***How do I become a patient at the Angaston Medical Centre?***

New patient appointments need to be made over the phone with our reception team or online using our new patient application form. Some criteria must be met to be accepted as a new patient. To register as a patient, you will need to complete New Patient Registration Information and provide us your Medicare, concession and/or private health insurance details. Our New Patient Policy is available from our reception.

***What happens at my first consultation?***

Your first consultation consists of a consultation with both a nurse and a doctor and takes 45 minutes to ensure we provide a comprehensive assessment of your health, including previous medical history. During this consultation, a nurse will collect details regarding your past health, measure your height, weight, waist circumference, blood pressure and blood sugar. A doctor will gather your history, perform relevant examinations and discuss your current concerns.

***How do I get my test results?***

Call our Nurses on 8564 3244 between 9am – 4pm Monday to Friday for your test results. If a nurse is not available at the time of your call, please leave your name and number and a nurse will return your call within 24 hours.

***Who can access my personal health information?***

All our Clinical staff (Doctors and Nurses) at Angaston Medical Centre have access to patient information to provide you with safe and competent care. Other Angaston Medical Centre staff have limited access to your information. As your personal information is confidential, you must provide us with permission to release your information to anyone else. You can access your patient record by putting your request in writing. Please note, a fee may apply. Our Privacy Policy is enclosed in this information pack for your information.

***Who do I talk to if I have any concerns about my experience?***

We encourage patients to provide feedback about their experience at AMC. We welcome all suggestions and ideas for improvement and appreciate your input. If you have a complaint regarding a staff member, please ask for the relevant manager to discuss this with them. All complaints are handled in the strictest confidence. Should you not be satisfied with the outcome, please contact the Australian Medical Board on 1300 419 495.

***I need help with communicating my needs, how do I get help with this?***

We can help you access the National Relay Service or the National Translation and Interpreter service.

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| **HEARING IMPAIRED** | **TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETER SERVICE** |
| National Relay Service**1300 555 727**www.relayservice.com.au | TIS National131 450www.tisnational.gov.au |

***Management***

General Manager Naomi Graetz

Operations Manager Janine Gladigau

Nurse Manager Stephanie Farmer

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| ***Doctors*** | ***Interests*** |
| Dr David Adams | Aged care, men’s health and cardiology |
| Dr Ray Goodwin | Paediatrics, contraception, minor surgery, acupuncture for chronic pain, Ante-natal Shared Care |
| Dr Adrian Griscti | Children’s health, spider vein injections |
| Dr Jodi Whillas | Paediatric health, adolescent health, women’s health, skin lesion removal |
| Dr Suzy Sevdicevski | Preventative medicine, chronic disease management, women’s health, paediatrics |
| Dr Katrina Morgan  | Women’s Health, antenatal shared care, mental health, children’s health and preventative health |
| Dr Jeremy Nunis | Child health, ATSI health, palliative care |
| Dr Teedzani Petlo | Adolescent Mental Health, sports injuries, general procedures |
| Dr Jennifer Glaetzer | Anaesthetics, sexual health and small surgical procedures |
| Dr Fatemeh Haghshenas | IMG Training – Skin procedures, paediatrics, women’s health and chronic disease management |
| Dr Millicent Wells | Anaesthetics, Women’s Health, Paediatrics, Antenatal Shared-Care |
| Dr Amy Watts | Paediatrics, women’s health  |
| Dr Patrick Coghlan | GP registrar - Skin Surgery, Men’s health, lifestyle medicine |
| Dr Satish Sharma | IMG Training – Chronic Disease, Men’s health |
| Dr Farida Nurullaeva | IMG Training – Skin lesion removal, women’s health and paediatrics |
| Dr Myra Hales | GP Registrar – Chronic disease Management, Preventative Health, First Nations Health Care and Lifestyle Medicine |
| Dr Mikaela Borgas | GP Registrar – Preventative Health, Women’s Health, Lifestyle Medicine, Paediatrics and medical education |
| Dr Josiah Salagaras | Children’s Health, Men’s Health, Women’s Health, Antenatal Share Care  |