WA COUNTRY HEALTH SERVICE

CAMHS Programs

Liaison teachers based in CAMHS aim to enhance communication between CAMHS and schools. Consultancy is also provided for CAMHS clinicians on educational matters. Referrals are made by CAMHS clinicians to the liaison teacher. Liaison teachers service the Southwest Region - Bunbury/Busselton and Albany, Midwest Region - Geraldton, Wheatbelt Region - Narrogin and Northam, Pilbara Region - Port Hedland and Karratha, Kimberley Region - Broome and Kununurra and the Goldfields Region.

SCHOOL REFERRALS

Home and Hospital Teaching

Teachers provide in-home educational support for schools of primary and secondary students who cannot attend school for medical reasons. Schools can access support where their student is likely to be absent from school for more than ten days and up to ten weeks, with a medical certificate.

Consultation with medical practitioners is an integral part of this service.

Departments of Education and Health working together to support educational needs.
**School of Special Educational Needs**  
**Medical & Mental Health**

The School of Special Education Needs: Medical and Mental Health (SSEN:MMH) provides educational support for students whose medical or mental health prevents them from successfully participating in their enrolled school programs.

Support is available to both government and non-government school students. Referrals are received through the Department of Health with parent consent. Home and Hospital Teaching referrals can be made by schools with parent consent and an appropriate medical certificate.

**SOUTH METROPOLITAN HEALTH SERVICE**  
**Fiona Stanley Hospital**

Teaching programs service the Paediatric Ward, Mental Health Unit and State Rehabilitation Service, providing specialist educational support for primary and secondary students. Specialist secondary teachers are on staff and others are accessed as needed. Strong partnerships are built with students, parents, enrolled schools, clinical staff and health professionals. If a student is not able to attend school for a period of time after leaving hospital, teaching support can continue through home visits where a medical certificate is available.

Referrals can also be made for school aged students from adult wards and health teams. The Learning Centre is located in the Rehabilitation building and also hosts North Lake Senior Campus who offer training and transition for post-school students through the Take Two program.

**CHILD ADOLESCENT HEALTH SERVICES (CAHS)**

**Princess Margaret Hospital**  
**Teaching and Liaison Programs**

Teaching programs service selected inpatient wards and day programs, providing specialist educational support for primary and secondary students. Specialty secondary teachers are on staff and others are accessed as needed. Strong partnerships are built with students, parents, enrolled schools, clinical staff and health professionals. If a student is not able to attend school for a period of time after leaving hospital, teaching support can continue through home visits where a medical certificate is available.

Teachers facilitate the transition and ongoing participation of students in their enrolled schools through the following liaison programs:

- Child and Adolescent Epilepsy Program
- Diabetes Liaison Program
- Paediatric & Adolescent Medicine Program
- Paediatric & Adolescent Medicine Refugee Health Liaison Program
- Paediatric Rehabilitation Acquired Brain Injury Program
- Paediatric Intensive Rehabilitation Unit (iRehab Program)
- Paediatric Rehabilitation Spinal Liaison Program
- Psychological Medicine Acute Community Intervention Team (ACIT)
- Child Protection Liaison Program
- Psychological Medicine Eating Disorders Program
- Respiratory Medicine Liaison Program
- Rheumatology Liaison Program
- Complex Pain Service Liaison Program.

Students can access these programs through admission to PMH.

**Pathways Program**

Pathways is a day program servicing primary aged students who experience severe emotional, social or behavioural problems. A variety of day and community services currently exist. A separate therapy/education program operates for a younger and older cohort during the week.

Connections are maintained with enrolled schools.

**Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) Programs**

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**Touchstone**

Touchstone is a day program where adolescents are able to access therapy and educational support. The program caters for young people with complex mental health needs. Teaching and liaison support is provided for referred patients at Touchstone.

Links are forged with enrolled schools, educational regions, health professionals and external agencies to support students in achieving their educational goals.