

BARHAM MPS TEMPORARY AGED CARE MOVE

I hope you are as excited as we are about the upcoming move into the new temporary Residential Aged Care (RAC) section of the Barham Multipurpose Service (MPS).

The construction of the Barham MPS will be completed in stages. A staged approach ensures all current clinical services will remain open during construction.

Stage 1 will see the refitting of the existing operating suite wing to create new temporary RAC rooms and amenities. This stage will also include the demolition of Eliza House and site clearance works for the construction of the new MPS in Stage 2.

The move process is scheduled for mid-May for all current Nursing Home Residents. We will let you know a day and additional details once they are confirmed. Family members are invited to assist on the day with the move.

Additional staff will be rostered to work during the move period and will be able to assist with packing, moving belongings and orientation to the new room and other areas in the new RAC.

The rooms you will be moving into will be fully furnished with a bed, bedside table, over bed table, recliner chair, TV, desk and built-in wardrobe.

We will continue to keep you updated on the redevelopment and please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I look forward to continuing to work with you.

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The images below show the progress being made on the new temporary Barham MPS aged care space.



Frequently Asked Questions

Where is the redevelopment at the Barham Multipurpose Service (MPS) up to?

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How does this affect me?

The residents of the Eliza House Nursing Home at the Barham MPS will be moved into the temporary RAC section.

What support will I be offered during the move process?

Additional staff will be rostered during the move and unpacking process.

Can I choose my new room?

Rooms will be allocated by the medical team based on the resident's current medical needs.

What will my new room be like?

All new temporary RAC rooms are single, some with ensuites and have been designed and constructed to current standards.

Who will pack my personal items?

Staff will assist residents to pack their belongings and also organise to relocate them. One family member for each resident is also invited to accompany residents on their nominated move day.

Can I take my personal furniture items to my new room?

The new RAC rooms include key furniture items such as the bed, bedside table, armchair, television, desk and chair, and built-in cupboards. The Health Facility Manager will discuss with residents and families the relocation of any personal furniture. Once the move is complete and settled, options for personal wall hangings can be discussed.

Will I have a phone and/or the internet in my new room?

Yes, data points have been installed in the new RAC rooms. Telephones will be provided, however

residents/families will need to organise their own personal phone/internet plan.

What can I expect on the move day?

Staff will assist residents and their nominated family member on their identified move day.

Will the laundry arrangements be the same?

There will be no changes to the laundry service for residents with family members still involved in laundering clothes for their family member(s).

What about my medications, will that change?

There will be no changes to the delivery or schedule of medications which will be kept in the drug room and administered to you by the Enrolled Nurse or Registered Nurse.

Will there be other changes?

We are moving towards a more homelike environment in the new RAC. You will notice changes to your meal service. Breakfast will be available anytime between 8am and 9.30 am.

I have more questions – is there someone I can speak to?

Yes, if you have further questions or any concerns please contact the Barham MPS Facility Manager Lois Opie on 03 5451 1000



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