

MACKAY

HOSPITAL AND HEALTH SERVICE





**THE MACKAY HOSPITAL AND
HEALTH SERVICE.
EIGHT HOSPITALS. FOUR
COMMUNITY HEALTH FACILITIES.
ONE ORGANISATION.**

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WELCOME

The Mackay Hospital and Health Service is a contemporary organisation with over 2000 employees, providing extensive health services in a range of regional, community and rural settings, to a population of around 180,000 people.

We are passionate about our community and the health of the people living in it.

Our purpose is simple. We want to provide outstanding health care services to you through our people and partners.

The Mackay Base Hospital is the referral hospital for our region, one of the most modern healthcare facilities in Queensland. A state-of-the-art facility, equipped with leading edge technology to assist us in providing the highest level of care to you

OUR VISION

Delivering Queensland's
Best Rural and Regional
Health Care

OUR PURPOSE

To deliver outstanding
health care services to
our communities
through our people and
partners



**WE PERFORMED
OVER 8000
OPERATIONS**



**OVER 81,200 PEOPLE
USED OUR
EMERGENCY
DEPARTMENTS EACH
YEAR**



**CARED FOR
OVER 45,000 OF
YOU ON OUR
WARDS**

- ORTHOPAEDIC DEPARTMENT -

The Orthopaedic Department offers the whole spectrum of orthopaedic trauma and elective operations. Currently there are seven senior consultants working various days throughout the week.

The Team

- Professor Herwig Drobetz
- Dr Jon Smith
- Dr George Banic
- Dr Michael Cheeman
- Dr Kyaw San
- Dr Christopher Wainwright
- Dr Subash Balakrishnan

The tea also has 7 registrars and 6 interns/resident medical officers. The Orthopaedic ward is funded for 28 beds, about 2000 perations are performed each year and roughly 9,000 Outpatient appointments occur each year.

All of the consultants treat general trauma cases but are also sub-specialised in; joint replacement and revision surgery, post traumatic reconstructions, pelvic and acetabular fracture surgery, sports injuries and paediatric surgery.

We have a high trauma workload (1100 cases) with about 50 multi and poly-trauma patients per year. We perform common upper and lower extremity skin and muscle flaps for trauma and post infections.

The main referral hospitals are the Townsville Hospital (381 kilometres away) and the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital (978 kilometres away)



The Orthopaedic Department is heavily involved in Research. Two of studies we are currently participating in are:

- CROSSFIRE: A multi centre randomised controlled trial to determine the comparative effectiveness of operative treatment (volar locking plate fixation) versus non-operative treatment (closed reduction and cast immobilisation) for adults aged 60 years and older with displaced distal radius fractures.
- ZIMMER MOTIONLOC: is looking at how well Zimmer MotionLoc Screws perform in distal tibia fractures and Mackay Base Hospital is the only site in Australia participating in this international study.



A recent addition to the Orthopaedic Team has been the 3D Printer, purchased in 2016. Mackay is the first regional hospitals in Queensland to incorporate a 3D printer for the care and treatment of patients. The department use the printer to build life-size replicas of patient fractures to better plan for surgery, reducing surgery time and the risk of infection. The models printed also help the patients to better understand the treatment they will receive.



MACKAY REGION

The Mackay region is home to a diverse and vibrant community with rural and coastal living opportunities in 30 townships, small rural settlements and rural residential areas.



Once home to opera star Dame Nellie Melba, this workaday, mid-sized Queensland city puts tourism a distant second to the machinations of the sugar and agricultural industries, but there's nonetheless plenty to like about Mackay's tropical suburbia. For starters, it's an incongruously impressive art-deco destination, and even better is its location between protected mangroves and a smart, beachy marina.

It's only a 1½-hour drive to Airlie Beach and boats to the Whitsundays, and a scenic jaunt past the sugar-cane fields to Eungella National Park.



Only an hour's flight from Brisbane, the Mackay region boasts an enviable lifestyle and a buoyant economy with the benefits of a fast-growing coastal city. Its coastal location is complemented by its spectacular natural environment. This includes 31 beautiful beaches, a picturesque blue river and a pristine rainforest hinterland.

