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# Diagnostic Breast Clinic Brochure

## About the Breast Clinic

Breast Cancer is treatable and positive outcomes are achievable if detected early. If you experience any breast symptoms, lumps or pain or have a family history of breast cancer, your concerns should be addressed immediately.

Women in the Toowoomba and Darling Downs region now have access to St Andrew's Toowoomba Hospital's Clinic which has:

- First-class diagnostic testing equipment
- Qualified, caring and supportive registered nursing staff
- Specialist team of breast clinicians, surgeons and radiologists.

## Symptom Assessment

Each person's symptoms will be addressed on an individual basis. Often several complementary investigations will be required during your visit to provide a complete and accurate diagnosis.

A history of symptoms will be taken and an examination of breasts carried out. A mammogram or ultrasound scan may also be required during the consultation and this is dependent upon your symptoms, age and family history.

Our specialist team of radiologists, surgeons and the Clinic Doctor will discuss your symptoms and investigations. If treatment is required, a management plan will be formulated.

## Results of tests

The Breast Clinic Doctor will discuss test results, advise of a firm diagnosis or follow-up plan, answer your questions and discuss different treatments at the conclusion of your visit. On occasion though, results of some pathology tests may not be available at that time.

Results will also be forwarded to your general practitioner who will be included in planning further treatment, if required.

The Diagnostic Breast Clinic clinicians and staff endeavour to give you a full understanding of your symptoms before you leave the clinic. We therefore encourage your questions throughout each step so that you receive accurate information, as well as our full care and support during your visit.

## Costs of visit

The cost of your clinic visit is dependant on the diagnostic procedures performed during your visit.

Most services attract Medicare rebates, and in some cases, a gap fee may be incurred.

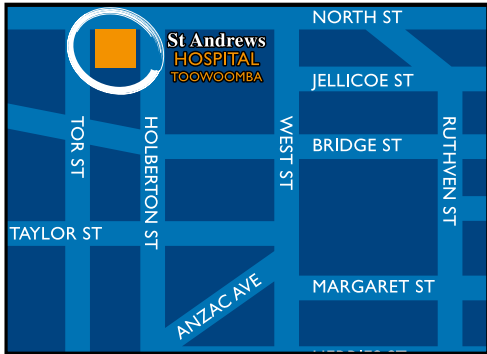
Services for pensioners and health care card holders are bulk billed to Medicare.

In the absence of breast problems, symptoms or family history, the cost of mammography is not covered by Medicare. In some cases, however, private health insurance will cover that cost. Clients should contact their own health insurance provider to inquire about rebates.

Our clinic staff would be pleased to provide further details of the costs of our visit.

**For further information please  
telephone 1300 139 466.**





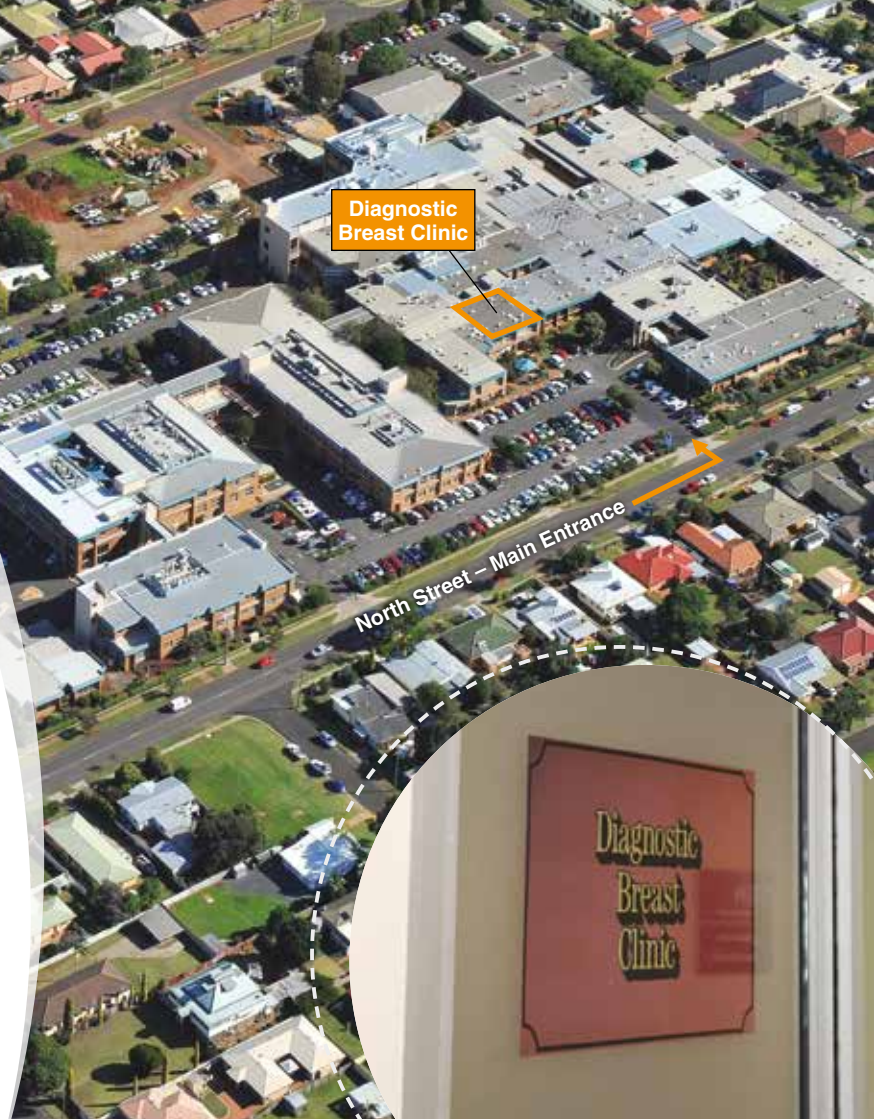
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