

PRACTICE INFORMATION

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general, breast & endocrine surgery

Senior Lecturer in Breast & Endocrine Surgery, University of Adelaide

PRIVATE CONSULTING TIMES

Dr Walsh consults at several locations:
All appointments and enquiries are made
at the Western rooms: 8235 0388

Western Rooms (Main Rooms):

Western Breast Clinic, Room 2 - 1st Floor,
Western Hospital, 168 Cudmore Tce
Henley Beach, 5022.

Consulting: Tues 2pm-5pm, Wed 2pm-5pm
(fortnightly), and Thurs 2pm-5pm (fortnightly)

Calvary Hospital

1st Floor, "Specialist Suites" (through St
Catherine's Ward), 89 Strangways Tce,
North Adelaide.

Consulting: Thurs 2pm-4pm fortnightly

Melbourne St Breast & Endocrine Clinic:

(Benson Radiology)
229 Melbourne St, North Adelaide, 5006
Consulting Wed 9am-11am monthly

St Andrew's Breast Clinic:

350 South Tce, Adelaide,
Next to St Andrews Hospital
Consulting Wed 1.30pm-4.30pm fortnightly
(due to limited space in the waiting room, please
only bring one family member with you if at all
possible)

Northern Specialist Clinic (Benson Radiology)

39 Park Tce, Salisbury 5108
Consulting Friday 2pm-4pm monthly

PUBLIC PATIENTS

The Queen Elizabeth Hospital

Breast-Endocrine Clinic, 8th Floor, 28 Woodville
Road, Woodville.
Consulting Tues & Fri mornings
Appointments Tel: 8222 6162 / Fax: 8222 7986

APPOINTMENTS

Appointments are required for all consultations.
Whilst we try to keep timing as punctual as
possible, this may vary as each patient's condition
as needs are different. If this should be a problem
please speak to my staff. PLEASE BRING: Any
relevant scans or x-rays, Medicare card, Private
Health Fund card, any concession cards and
referral letter if not already sent to our rooms.

STAFF

Practice Manager: Suzan
Secretary/Receptionist: Cathy
Typist/Receptionist: Kristie
Breast Care Nurses (Western Oncology Staff):
Sue and Chris. Please be assured of their
confidential approach.

FEES

My fees are set below the level recommended
by the Australian Medical Association. Medicare
does not cover all costs of your consultation
leaving you with an out-of-pocket "gap".

ALL ACCOUNTS ARE PAYABLE IN FULL ON THE DAY

Initial Consultation	\$165
Pensioner:	\$100
Medicare Rebate:	\$72.75
Follow-up Consultation:	\$80
Pensioner:	\$50
Medicare Rebate:	\$36.55

(Note: you will be unable to pay at St Andrew's
Breast Clinic – credit card payments over the
phone on the day of your visit are therefore
recommended – ph: 8235 0388)

YOUR APPOINTMENT

TEST RESULTS

All test results are reviewed by Mr Walsh. All
results will be discussed at your follow up
consultation. Staff are not permitted to discuss
results with you over the telephone.

It is therefore important, and expected,
that every patient will keep every follow up
appointment. Should circumstances prevent
this, please contact my staff so an alternative
appointment can be made for you.

SURGICAL TREATMENT & BOOKINGS

All surgical bookings are made by my staff.
Should you require surgery this can be arranged
at either:

St Andrew's Hospital
350 South Tce, Adelaide

Western Hospital
168 Cudmore Tce, Henley Beach

Calvary-North Adelaide Hospital
89 Strangways Tce, North Adelaide.

PROVIDING SPECIAL SURGICAL SERVICES IN:

Benign Breast Disease
Breast Malignancy

Endocrine Surgery
Thyroid
Parathyroid
Adrenal

Salivary Gland Disease
Parotid
Submandibular
Hernia
Vasectomy

General Surgery
Laparoscopic Surgery
Surgical Oncology

PRIVATE ROOMS (all appointments)

Western Breast Clinic
Room 2 - 1st Floor
Western Hospital
168 Cudmore Terrace
Henley Beach
p: 08 8235 0388
f: 08 8235 0844
e: david@drdavidwalsh.com.au

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SURGICAL ACCOUNTS

All surgical accounts are direct billed to your health fund. No Surgical gap is charged for privately insured patients.

However this does not apply to Hospital, anaesthetic, surgical assistants, pathology or radiology accounts that may be incurred in your treatment. These accounts are separate to your surgery and you will need to speak to these health providers separately regarding their own billing arrangements.

My surgical fees includes normal post-op care only (ie. 6 weeks following surgery).

Detailed post-operative counselling of patients with breast cancer and/or other cancers is not considered normal after-care, and will be charged on an attendance basis. Or post-op dressings incur a Not Normal Post-Op fee which we bill as a Medicare only fee.

UNINSURED PATIENTS

If you do not have private hospital cover and wish for treatment in a private hospital, you will require a Surgical Quote, Anaesthetic Quote and Hospital Quote before treatment can be organised. In such circumstances, pre-payment of all fees are required.

Or if you wish to be admitted publicly to TQEH no charges will be made for your hospital care. However, there is a consultation fee for the pre-operative consultation in my rooms. Public hospitals employ training doctors, registrars, residents and interns who will be involved directly in your care and may perform your surgery. MR WALSH MAY OR MAY NOT BE INVOLVED IN YOUR SURGERY OR CARE.

PUBLIC PATIENTS – Q.E.H.

Public hospital patients are admitted from a Waiting List based on medical priority. The Queen Elizabeth Hospital staff will contact you regarding your admission & Preadmission appointments. Post-operative follow-up will be through the relevant Outpatient Clinics. Admission enquiries should be made to the Admissions Office or Mr Walsh's Surgical Registrar.

URGENT CONCERNS &

PRE OR POST-OP PROBLEMS:

If you have any concerns or problems related to your consultation or operation, please contact myself or my staff. If I am away, my staff will direct you to the covering surgeon. Public patients will be directed to the duty surgical registrar or Emergency Dept of the QEHA.

HIGH RISK FACTORS & ALLERGIES

Should you have any high risk factor disease, conditions or allergies, it is urgent that you discuss this with Mr Walsh. These include HIV, HepC, blood disorders, heart or respiratory disease, Latex allergies & any medication allergic reactions. All matters remain confidential.

SECOND OPINIONS

It is your right to ask for an opinion from another surgeon, if you desire. Likewise if the involvement of another specialist is felt indicated by Mr Walsh, your general practitioner will be contacted for input, unless the matter is pressingly urgent.

YOUR PRIVACY

This practice has adopted a privacy policy (per the Privacy Act Dec 2001) and our procedures ensure that your information is recorded accurately, kept up to date and securely stored. Quality healthcare is our principal concern, and on occasion it may be necessary to share certain aspects of your healthcare with other healthcare providers such as pathology, x-ray, other medical practitioners or Medicare/Private Health Funds for billing or rebate purposes. Under no circumstances will your healthcare information be shared with any other interested parties other than these healthcare providers without your written permission. We regard your healthcare information as Strictly Confidential, which means for Medical-Legal reasons, the office staff are not permitted to discuss patient details or tests results over the phone. Nor will results be given to family members without written permission of the patient.

Your Rights: If you have an issue or concern please feel free to talk to the Practice Manager or Mr Walsh.

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