

What is the Health Co-op and how does it work?

The Co-op was established by local community members and residents to address the issue of a lack of primary care services in the ACT, in particular in the West Belconnen area. The first clinic was opened in January 2010 and the Co-op has grown significantly since this time.

The clinic is "owned" by its members. Members pay an annual membership fee and are then entitled to bulk-billed GP services*, as well as bulk-billed allied health services such as dietitian and psychology consultations*. No profits are paid to anyone. After expenses are paid, any remaining funds are used to provide or subsidise other services. For example, dietician and psychology services not accessible through Medicare are provided at significantly discounted rates compared to most private providers in the community.

The clinic is run by a Board elected annually by the Co-op members. This volunteer Board provides strategic direction to its CEO who is responsible for the day to day operations of the clinics.

With over 16,000 registered patients, the Co-op now employs 13 doctors, a nurse practitioner, 7 nurses and 13 administration staff. We are continuing to recruit doctors, nurses and other health providers to increase further the services we are able to provide to members.

For further information please feel free to call the clinic or email us at reception@westbelconnenhealth.coop.

*Subject to Medicare guidelines

2013 Membership Fees

	Concession Fee*	Full Fee
Single	\$17.50	\$35
Family	\$35	\$70

*For holders of Commonwealth Healthcare or Pension cards

West Belconnen Health Co-op Support

We wish to acknowledge and thank the Capital Chemist Group for their long-term ongoing support and announce our new partnership with Bendigo Community Bank.



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The Small Mall
Lhotsky Street
Ph: 6258 4949

Higgins
Shop 3
5 Higgins Place
6254 0484



Curtin 6260 5140
Calwell 6291 3385
Wanniassa 6231 9024
Jerrabomberra 6299 8357



West Belconnen Health Co-operative Ltd

Better Health Together

Your community owned medical centre

- ✓ NEW clinics – Evatt & Kippax Fair
- ✓ GP consultations by appointment
- ✓ Professionally run for the community
- ✓ Bulk Billing GP visits for all members*
- ✓ Make your appointments on-line 24/7
- ✓ More doctors, nurses & allied health services

We are pleased to announce the opening of our medical centres at **Kippax Fair** (Holt) and **Evatt** in February 2013. These centres will add to our existing sites in Charnwood, Belconnen and Page. With more doctors, nurses and allied health services, we are growing to meet your health needs. All medical centres are linked via computer to enable your medical record to be accessed at any site you choose to attend.

Your low annual membership fee provides you with:

- ✓ Bulk billed GP consultations.*
- ✓ Bulk billed psychology consultations.*
- ✓ Bulk billed allied health consultations.*
- ✓ Access to any of the Co-ops medical centres
- ✓ Subsidised fees for services not able to be bulk billed.
- ✓ A voice in the operation and development of the medical centres.

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Phone for all medical centres

6258 0355

Medical Centre Locations

Charnwood
20 Cartwright Street

Holt
Hardwick Crescent
Kippax Fair Shopping Centre

Belconnen
1/30 Totterdell St

Chisholm
26 Benham St Street
(opening April 2013)

Evatt
1/8 McClure Place

Page
23 Burkitt Street
(Ginninderra Gardens)