

SERVICES TO BE OFFERED AT THE INNER SOUTH CANBERRA HEALTH CENTRE

Source: Major Plan Amendment Inner South Health Centre at Block 34, 33 & 39, Section 78 Griffith Spacelab Studio Pty Ltd, p.3

Services will include oral health services, post-acute care management, rapid access clinics and chronic disease management services including:

- ACT Pathology collection services
- Chronic Disease Management – Consult and Treatment Rooms
 - Nursing
 - Podiatry
 - Nutrition
 - Physiotherapy
 - Rapid access clinics

Dental services

- Dental chairs
- Special need dental chair
- Bariatric dental chair
- Dental laboratory
- BreastScreen ACT
- Various multidisciplinary group exercise and education programs, which may include cardiac, heart failure, and pulmonary rehabilitation services.

The inclusion of dental services in the Inner South enhances accessibility for the community and helps alleviate pressure on other health centres. Demographic data shows that the highest number of eligible adult clients for oral health services are concentrated in the south of Canberra, underscoring the need for expanded services in this area. Furthermore, there is currently no dedicated, fit-for-purpose bariatric or special needs dental space in the Territory's existing health centres. Special Needs patients requiring dental examinations are currently booked as a surgical patient at The Canberra Hospital and undergo the examination under anaesthetic. This utilises precious operating theatre time and resources for a procedure commonly performed in the community.

The service profile ensures the facility meets community needs and reduces unnecessary hospital admissions.

The Inner South Health Centre (Griffith) is one of four new health centres the ACT Government has committed to building across the Territory.