

All you need to know about *Mallee Track Health and Community Service*



Improving care

Victoria's public hospitals are doing well and getting better. Over the past five years, the State Government has increased funding to hospitals in country Victoria, which means we are treating more patients than ever before, have increased staff numbers and are investing record amounts of resources in rebuilding our hospitals. All of this adds up to better care for Victorian families.



What does that mean for Ouyen?

Towns like Ouyen need ready access to treatment and services through excellent networks of rural hospitals and health services. This is why the State Government has increased investment in Ouyen's health services, ensuring a healthy system for a healthy region. The following summary outlines the key initiatives provided to the Ouyen region.





Increased investment

Funding increased by over \$700,000 to \$2.2 million, 47 per cent since 1999-2000.

Highlights:

Nurse numbers

- Increased by 6 to 28 nurses, 26 per cent since 1999-2000



Major equipment and infrastructure investment of \$189,100 including:

- Adjustable high/low beds – \$42,000



Mallee Track Health and Community Service is a Small Rural Health Service that provides a range of health and aged care services.

Service snapshot 2003–04

- 1,104 acute inpatient bed days
- 235 acute inpatients treated
- 53 elective admissions
- 182 emergency admissions
- 50 operational residential aged care beds

Source: 2003-04 Annual Report; VAED

More information

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