

FAQs

Introducing Calvary Health Care

Who is Calvary?

Calvary is a Catholic Health, Home and Aged Care provider. Through the provision of quality, responsive and compassionate health, community and aged care services we aim to excel, and to be recognised, as a continuing source of healing, hope and nurturing to the people and communities we serve.

Our mission is to bring the healing ministry of Jesus to those who are sick, dying and in need through 'being for others'.

We are one of Australia's major not-for-profit healthcare providers supporting people across the full care journey, running hospitals, aged care facilities, retirement communities and home care services across four states and two territories.

Our care is grounded in our values of healing, hospitality, stewardship and respect with a strong emphasis on whole person care – spiritual, physical, psychological and social.

We have a strong commitment to vulnerable communities, supporting disadvantaged and marginalised groups and providing care in regional and underserved areas which helps us stay true to our founding mission of being for others.

In Tasmania, we currently provide a continuum of care supporting people through integrated residential aged care, retirement living, home care services, and hospitals with a focus on wellbeing, independence and connection.

Calvary's commitment to inclusive, community-centred care in Tasmania has been formally recognised, with our volunteer program winning Volunteering Tasmania's award for inclusive volunteering in 2024 for supporting people of diverse backgrounds and abilities.

Calvary takes pride in our compassionate workforce and people-centred culture, recognising that exceptional care is measured by both clinical outcomes and the experience of those receiving care.

Our aged care services include:

- Permanent residential aged care
- Respite care
- Dementia support
- Palliative and end-of-life care
- Allied health and wellbeing programs
- Clinical nursing care and specialist support services
- Independent living for older Australians
- Ageing-in-place models
- Home care – personal, domestic, nursing, allied health, social, respite and other supports.

You can find out more at calvarycare.org.au

What is Calvary's aged care experience:

Calvary has one of the longest and most established aged care histories in Australia. Founded by the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary in 1885, it has evolved into a national not-for-profit provider spanning residential aged care, retirement living, home care and hospitals. Today, Calvary operates across four states and two territories and employs almost 18,000 staff.

Calvary's approach is built on three key strengths:

- **Mission-led care:** Our Catholic heritage and focus on compassion, dignity, palliative care and support for vulnerable people remain central to our service model.
- **Longevity and trust:** 140 years of service delivery and a strong reputation as one of Australia's largest not-for-profit health and aged care providers.
- **Integrated support:** We operate across hospitals, home care, retirement living and residential aged care which allows us to provide connected care.

Why did Calvary agree to take responsibility for SCCT?

Calvary has a long-term goal of building an Australia-wide integrated health care network that allows us to provide care across the entire ageing journey, rather than a single point in time.

Taking responsibility for SCCT provides us with the opportunity to expand our network in Tasmania at a time the state is experiencing an ageing population, increasing demand for aged care services, and growing demand for integrated health care pathways that allow people to continue to live in their own communities, in the ways they choose to do so.

The shared Catholic mission of SCCT and Calvary, centred on dignity, compassion and service, provides a strong foundation for continuing SCCT's legacy of care and maintaining a familiar values-based culture for staff, residents, clients and families.

Welcoming SCCT allows Calvary to deliver integrated health at scale in Tasmania, helps us to attract talent, manage compliance and invest in resources that will benefit residents, clients and our workforce.

What are Calvary's long-term plans for providing services in Tasmania?

Calvary is committed to Tasmania and excited about the opportunities to provide integrated healthcare in the state long term. However, at this stage, we are currently awaiting the outcome of relevant approvals before making any plans.

Consultation will be a key part of any future planning. We are committed to listening to our staff, residents and clients to understand their current experiences, as well as their ideas and aspirations for the future. The feedback will help inform any planning and decision-making as we look ahead.