

Your Bequest

For many donors, a gift made through their Will is the best way to make a contribution to the Hospital. Donors can leave specific dollar amounts or a percentage of their estate. Through a bequest, a donor can make a gift without depleting current assets. Depending on the type, each bequest should be adapted to the donor's individual situation. The easiest way to make a bequest to the Hospital is to have your solicitor insert a sentence into your Will which reads: I give, devise and bequeath the sum of \$ _____ (amount to be written in words) or _____ % of the residue of my estate to Concord Repatriation General Hospital.

Further Information

Your Will allows you to express your feelings for those people and organisations with whom you have an affiliation. Through your legacy, you will be able to make a difference to the lives of others.

Should you choose to make a bequest to Concord Repatriation General Hospital, it would ensure the advancement of facilities, research and development of healthcare in the future. Your gift will make a significant difference.

For further information about leaving a bequest to Concord Repatriation General Hospital, please contact the Marketing & Fundraising Department on 02 9767 6038 or e-mail concordinfo@email.cs.nsw.gov.au



Concord Repatriation General Hospital extends sincere thanks to everyone who has or is considering making a bequest to the Hospital. Each gift allows us to continue providing service excellence in healthcare.



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The will to make a difference



Concord Repatriation General Hospital has established a reputation for excellence in the provision of healthcare services. With a proud heritage of providing care to the veteran community, the hospital services the local communities of Concord, Strathfield, Burwood and beyond.

The hospital has received consecutive years of accreditation from the Australia Council of Health Care Standards, in addition to receiving consecutive accreditation awards from the Postgraduate Medical Council of NSW for exemplary training of postgraduate doctors.

A 550-bed teaching hospital of the University of Sydney, Concord offers a comprehensive range of specialty and sub-specialty services, many of which are recognised nationally and internationally as centres of excellence.

Some of these services include Burns, Colorectal surgery, Laparoscopic surgery, Molecular biology and a Genetic laboratory, Aged and extended care and Gastroenterology.

Concord Hospital has transformed to meet the medical challenges of the future through a multi-million dollar redevelopment that has seen services move from around campus into a central site at the heart of the hospital. These transformations have significantly enhanced our service to our communities.

Writing a Will

Peace of Mind

If you pass away without a Will, your Estate will be distributed according to State laws. A Will ensures your wishes are upheld, giving you peace of mind. Otherwise, the situation may arise where the law determines who will inherit your Estate.

Act Now

Your Will should be written as soon as possible and reviewed on a regular basis to keep up with your personal circumstances and changes.

For example, you might want to reassess your Estate in line with changes to your family, other dependants, your desire to help others or even to assist Concord Hospital's research for the future.

The Accuracy of Your Will

A Will is a legal document and while you may choose to write your Will independently, you should ensure wording is precise and free from statements that may be misinterpreted. Therefore, it is wise to consult a Solicitor or Trustee Company to ensure your Will is planned according to your wishes and written accurately.

Important Information

Certain terms are used in the compilation of a Will. This brief glossary may help in your understanding of these terms.

An Administrator is appointed to manage your affairs according to the law if you do not leave a valid Will.

Beneficiary or Legatee is an individual or organisation who is to receive a gift from your Will.

A **Bequest** is a gift or personal property such as cash, securities or other tangible property by Will.

A **Codicil** is a change or addition that can be made to your Will in a separate document.

The **Estate** is everything you own at the time of your death.

Executor is the person appointed by you to look after your affairs when you die and make sure your wishes expressed in your Will are carried out.

Intestacy if you die without having made a valid Will, the law declares you to be intestate and decides how your possessions should be shared out.

Legacy refers to a specific item or sum of money in your Will.

Marriage revokes any Will you have previously prepared. It is important to make a new Will when you marry or remarry.

Probate is a legal procedure to establish whether you left a valid Will and to appoint Administrators if you did not.

Residue is the sum that is left from your Estate when all debts and gifts have been deducted.

A **Testator** is someone who has made a Will.

A **Trust** is an arrangement you can put in your Will to administer part of your assets after your death e.g. on behalf of children or grandchildren.