

Neerim South is located just 15 minutes off the Princes Hwy from Warragul. If you are travelling from Pakenham just turn left off the highway when you see the signs before Drouin.

If you are travelling from Trafalgar just turn right off the highway when you see the signs at the Nilma interchange.

For public transport information please call our administration staff during business hours.

If a friend or relative is bringing you for your procedure there are many local attractions that they can visit while they wait.

- The Alpine Trout Farm at Noojee
- Ada River Winery Neerim South
- Drouin West Fruit and Berry Farm
- Blue Cow Café Neerim South
- Piano Hill Cheese Drouin West
- Blerick Tree and Plant Farm
- Tarago Reservoir Park

Or have a relaxing meal at the Kings Arms Hotel at Neerim South and enjoy the magnificent mountain views.

All visitors are also welcome to use our lounge facility and tea and coffee making facilities.

***Endoscopic procedures are becoming a vital diagnostic tool and we are proud to offer this service to people in all parts of West Gippsland, including Pakenham, using state of the art equipment, a modern operating suite and very experienced staff.***



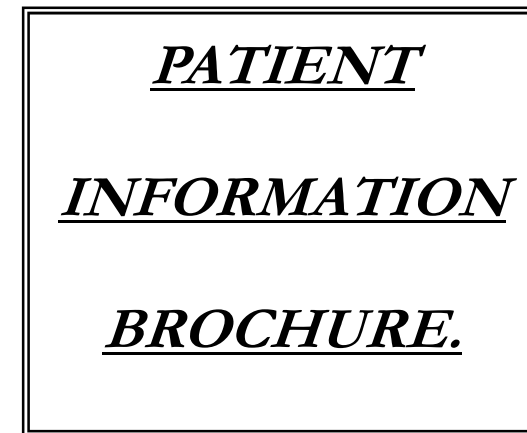
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Endoscopy  
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## Neerim District Soldiers Memorial Hospital Endoscopy Service.



**Modern facilities,  
experienced staff and  
state of the art  
equipment.**

## Neerim District Health Service Endoscopy Service.

Neerim District Soldiers Memorial Hospital has been providing health care in Neerim South for nearly eighty years. There has been a lot of development over the last eight years with the construction of a fully equipped and spacious operating suite and day surgery area.

We are now proud to offer an endoscopy service following the purchase of new, state of the art gastroscopes, colonoscopes and video processor. We also have a Soluscope fully enclosed endoscope cleaning system to ensure the highest standard of infection control.

### **Procedures can be completed on:**

- Tuesday afternoons

### **Who will perform your procedure?**

We have been able to secure the services of two excellent specialists:

Dr Brindi Rasaratnum: Who is based at his own practice in Noble Park and carries out endoscopic procedures at several hospitals and day procedure centres in the South Eastern suburbs of Melbourne.

Dr Mort Fitzgerald: Who has been performing endoscopic procedures in Gippsland for many years and is a highly respected physician.

### **To make a booking:**

Obtain a referral from your doctor and then ring the hospital during business hours on **03 56 281226**.

Our friendly administration staff will confirm a date and time with you, and will advise what you need to do to prepare for the procedure.

### **Costs:**

If you have private health insurance you should check with your health fund to see if any excess or co-payment would be payable under the terms of your policy. If not, the cost of the procedure should be fully covered by your private health insurance.

If you do not have private health insurance you can still have an endoscopy procedure at Neerim District Health Service but the charges are as follows:

Gastroscopy: \$75 (*Hospital charge only*)

Colonoscopy: \$105 (*Hospital charge only*)

Please note: The above costs are not claimable through Medicare.

There will also be a charge by the doctor and possibly a pathology fee. These costs are claimable through Medicare.