



Welcome to the Westmead Centre for Clinical Pastoral Education

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The Director for the Centre for Clinical Pastoral Education at Westmead Hospital is Rev Dr Peter Powell.

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Dr Powell is an ordained Minister of the Word in the Uniting Church in Australia, a Registered Psychologist & Supervisor, a Clinical Member of the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, a Clinical Member of the NSW Child Sex Offender Counsellors Accreditation Scheme and a Provisional Educational Consultant with the NSW College of CPE. Currently semi-retired, Dr Powell is a member of the Executive of the NSWCCPE, and a past President, Convenor of the Committee for the Asia-Pacific Conference of the International Council for Pastoral Care & Counselling 2021 and Convenor of the Principal's Committee of the Sydney College of Divinity.

Supervisors

At present Rev Morris Sing Key (Acting Level 3 CPE Supervisor) is working alongside Rev Dr Peter Powell. Rev Morris Sing Key has been a Chaplain for over 25 years in Sydney Hospitals and a CPE Supervisor for over 22 years. His research interests include models of Pastoral Care and Spiritual Assessment and Theological Reflection.

He is an adjunct lecturer at Morling College in the Master of Chaplaincy and Spiritual Care Program .

Morris also is available for Professional Individual Supervision.

[What courses are offered?](#)

CPE INTRODUCTORY LEVEL COURSES (40 hours)

This is the minimum requirement to join a hospital chaplaincy team: The introductory CPE course is suitable for lay people, theological students and clergy wanting an orientation into pastoral care in the hospital environment and also insight into the needs and vulnerability of hospital patients and their families. The principles of this course can be translated across into other Pastoral Care settings. This course may be available over one intensive 40 hour week or one day a week over 5 weeks.

Students will also be introduced to theological reflection, spiritual assessment and pastoral care models during this course. The course will help participants become more aware of their listening and responding skills, understand the power of empathy, have a better understanding of the needs of hospital patients and

provide students with an opportunity to explore and examine a case study (verbatim) of a visit to a patient by a chaplain or a CPE trainee.

The 40hr INTRODUCTORY course acts as a pre-requisite for the BASIC 400hr course and is the minimal hospital requirement for any volunteer pastoral carers to visit in NSW Hospitals.

400 Hour Basic CPE Program

[Who can apply?](#)

- Parish workers and volunteers
- Those wishing to work in pastoral and spiritual care and chaplaincy
- Nurses/teachers interested in holistic care
- Those seeking more effective ways to care for people's spiritual needs
- Those wishing to discern their suitability to be a pastoral or spiritual carer
- Kind hearted people with a genuine care for others
- Those interested in spiritual care in Aged Care Facilities

[2020 Course dates](#)

Christian Group:

Over 5 Thursdays ... 22nd & 29th Oct / 5th, 12th & 19th Nov 2020

This course will be conducted via ZOOM Mode provided a minimum number of 5 persons are enrolled.

[2021 Course dates](#)

INTRODUCTORY CPE

Monday to Friday : 18th to 22nd January 2021

Monday to Friday: 21st to 25th June 2021

Monday to Friday: 29th Nov to 3rd December 2021

400 Hour Basic CPE Program 2021:

There will be one course offered in Semester 1

The program will begin with a 3 day Orientation from Monday 1st Feb to Wednesday 3rd Feb 2021 and then continue each Wednesday until 9th June 2021.

There will be one course offered in Semester 2

The 3 day orientation for this course will be from Monday 12th to Wednesday 14th July and then continue on each Wednesday until Wednesday 17th November 2021

What is the cost?

The tuition fee in 2020 for Introductory CPE courses will be \$350.00 which includes the cost of the CPE certificate. A minimum number for the course to proceed is normally 8 participants.

Fees for our 400-hour basic courses in 2020 are \$1545.00 + \$50.00 (admin) + CPE Certificate (\$155.00) = Total Of \$1750.00

For students enrolled in the MA (Chaplaincy) degree program the unit of CPE will be \$2956. The Cost for an Advanced CPE Unit is TBC.

For further information:

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ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

As a Member Institute of the Sydney College of Divinity, the NSW College of Clinical Pastoral Education provides Master of Arts degrees specialising in Chaplaincy and Pastoral Supervision, and gives credit for Basic and Advanced Units of CPE.

Students with a Bachelor degree or other relevant qualification may enrol in a **Master of Arts (leading to a Specialisation in Chaplaincy)** which is offered by the NSW College of CPE through the Sydney College of Divinity. Students undertake three core units of CPE (CPE 1, 2, 3) and receive 54 credit points, half the course work. The remaining 54 credit points may be gained by enrolment in related courses (such as theology, Biblical studies, pastoral counselling) offered through the other member institutes of the Sydney College of Divinity.