

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES ► REFERRAL PATHWAYS

DIABETES EDUCATION CENTRE SUTHERLAND HOSPITAL

Service provider	Therese Ermers
Organisation Name	Diabetes Education Centre, The Sutherland Hospital
Role	Senior Dietitian
Services provided by organisation or individual	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Provide dietary education and support for individuals with diabetes (Type 1, Type 2, Gestational Diabetes Mellitus and diabetes in pregnancy). See clients 16 years and over.▪ Clients are all seen by a Diabetes Educator prior to seeing dietitian.▪ Elena Cable – Clinical Nurse Consultant▪ Christine Genoud-Lawton – Clinical Nurse Specialist▪ Julie Gale – Clinical Nurse Specialist▪ Sandra Hall – Registered Nurse▪ High Risk Podiatry Clinic Bridget Zammit – Podiatrist Carol Nguyen – Podiatrist
Location of service	The grounds of Sutherland Hospital (at the back, entry opposite the staff carpark).
How to refer?	Referral letter and copy of recent pathology. Clients are prioritised on the basis of their blood sugar levels. It's a good idea to fax referrals to 9540-8106. Ask the client to ring us on 9540-7841.
Costs associated with referral	Nil. Clients will be given a blood glucose monitoring machine when they see the educator.
Waiting list time	1-2 weeks (unless urgent in which case we would reschedule someone else if necessary)
Other comments	All clients are seen individually. We no longer see clients with impaired glucose tolerance or impaired fasting glycaemia.