


## Options for Maternity Care

Consider these 		During pregnancy			Your appointments		Your birth			Going home		
		Most care by your Midwife <sup>B</sup>	Most care by your GP	Most care by Hospital Specialist	At the Hospital	In the community	Your Midwife for birth <sup>B</sup>	Birth Suite Midwives and Doctors for birth	Water birth and water immersion available <sup>C</sup>	Home visits by your Midwife <sup>B</sup>	Home visits by hospital Midwives	Early discharge available
Midwife	Midwifery Group Practice (MGP) <sup>A</sup> <i>Ngarrama-Royal, Aurora, Aster</i>	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓
	Birth Centre Midwives <sup>A</sup>	✓			✓		✓		✓	✓		✓
	Private Midwives <i>With visiting rights to RBWH</i>	✓				✓	✓		✓	✓		✓
	RBWH Midwives in the community <sup>A</sup> <i>Nundah</i>	✓				✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
	Midwife Teams <sup>A</sup> <i>Pegasus, Phoenix</i>	✓			✓		✓		✓		✓	✓
GP	GP Shared Care		✓		✓ <small>some</small>	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
Specialist	Specialist Care			✓	✓			✓			✓	✓
	Private Practice Doctor (Obstetrician)			✓	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓

Conditions apply. **All options for care include access to Obstetricians and other Specialists as required.** <sup>A</sup> Ballots, Waiting Lists and/or exclusion criteria may apply. <sup>B</sup> Your midwife is supported by a back-up midwife or small team of midwives. <sup>C</sup> Exclusion criteria apply for Water Immersion and Water Birth for certain medical and/or other conditions, eg. previous caesarean section. Some care options subject to availability. Numbers are limited in midwifery care. Women accepted to RBWH without a valid Medicare Card will only have access to GP Shared Care (or Specialist care if required). All midwives strive to maintain continuity of care however this can never be guaranteed. The National Midwifery Guidelines for Consultation and Referral form the basis of clinical decision-making.

