

## **Safe Patient Care Act**

## Introduction:

Kooweerup Regional Health Service provides inpatient care in the Westernport Unit, an integrated unit consisting of residential aged care, transition care, respite and level 4 acute beds. KRHS ratios within the Westernport Unit comply with the minimum staffing levels as per the Safe Patient Care Act. KRHS will provide additional staff or roster above the ratios, when it is deemed a requirement to provide safe and quality care.

## Mixed Wards at Kooweerup Regional Health Service:

Name of the mixed ward	Westernport Unit
The total number of occupied beds	28
The different ratios that apply in the Westernport Unit	
Acute Medical	Residential Aged Care
Morning Shift (7.00 am – 3.30 pm)	Morning Shift (7.00 am – 3.30 pm)
1 nurse: 6 patients. One nurse in charge	1 nurse: 7 patients
Afternoon Shift (1.30 pm – 10.00 pm)	Afternoon Shift (1.30 pm – 10.00 pm)
1 nurse: 7 patients plus 1 nurse as EFT	1 nurse: 8 patients
300 provision.	
One nurse in charge	
Night Shift (9.00 pm – 7.30 am)	Night Shift (9.30 pm – 7.30 am)
1 nurse: 10 patients.	1 nurse: 15 patients.
The expected number of occupied	The expected number of occupied
beds in Acute medical = 6	beds in Residential aged care = 22

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