

## Services

- ABI Test
- Acupuncture
- Allergy Testing
- Allied Health Professionals
- Antenatal & Postnatal Care
- Baby & Child Development and Behavior
- BP Management
- Child Health
- Chronic Disease Management  
Asthma, Heart Disease, COPD
- Close the Gap: Care for  
Indigenous Australians
- Counselling: Stress, Work, Family  
Marital, Substance Dependence
- Diabetes Management
- Emotional Health
- Health Assessments: >75's  
45-49, A&TSI, 4-year-old health check
- Heart Checks, ECG & Holter Monitor
- Home Visits
- Immunisation for Children & Adults
- Iron Infusions
- Medical Examinations: Driving  
Pre-Employment, Insurance
- Men's Health: Wellness, Prostate & Impotence  
Management
- Minor Surgery: Suturing, Mole & Skin Cancer  
removal
- Mirena Insertion & Removal
- Nutritional Advice
- Pregnancy Tests
- Quit Smoking Assistance
- Registered Nurse
- Sexual Health Checks
- Skin Checks
- Spirometry: Lung Function Test
- Travel Medicine: Yellow Fever Vaccines
- Weight Control
- Women's Health: Fertility, Family planning,  
Pap Smear, HRT, General Wellness
- Workcover
- Youth Friendly Practice
- 24 hour Blood Pressure Monitor



Map directions to 6/19 Pitcairn Way  
Pacific Pines QLD 4211

## Quality Care with Compassion

Our Mission is to provide the highest standard of patient care incorporating a holistic approach toward diagnosis and management of illness. This Practice is committed to promoting wellness and disease prevention to all patients. We do not discriminate in the provision of excellent care and aim to treat all patients with due respect.



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# January - February 2023



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### DOCTORS

- ❖ Dr Simon Hong
- ❖ Dr Vinh Lao
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- ❖ Dr Cindy Lee
- ❖ Dr Mandy Ranhotra
- ❖ Dr Puneet Pannu
- ❖ Dr Kerry Lowe
- ❖ Dr Peter Yaxley
- ❖ Dr Simon Stilgoe

### OPENING HOURS:

7.00am – 6.00pm Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri  
7.00am – 7.00pm Thursday  
8.00am – 11.00am Saturday

## Private Billing

As of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023

Pacific Pines Medical Centre has had to make the hard decision to go to **Private Billing**.

The reality is that Medicare rebates do not cover the cost of providing you with a safe and high-quality service. This is because the rate at which successive governments have indexed the Medicare Schedule fees has been substantially lower than increases in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and average weekly earnings. The fees charged by this practice have to cover all of our practice costs including employing receptionists and practice nurses, and meeting our operating expenses such as rent, medical equipment, electricity, computers and insurance.

In the past freezing and cutting of Medicare rebates has essentially devalued your GP and put huge financial pressures on General Practice.

Our doctors are independent practitioners who are responsible for charging their own fees. Please check with reception at the time of booking. For private billings you get your rebate back from Medicare, instantly through Easyclaim.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Your bank details need to be up to date with Medicare.

Patients with DVA, Pension, HCC and Children 15 and under will be Bulk Billed

## Feed Back

If you would like to make any suggestions relevant to our Practice, Newsletter or Website please let the Practice Manager know.

## Our Practice

### Travel Vaccines



Are you going on  
Holidays?

Do you need

Vaccinations?

**Get all your Travel  
Vaccines Here.**

### Japanese Encephalitis

If you are going to a high-risk area,  
make sure you are protected.  
We have this Vaccine in stock.

### Public Holidays

We will be closed on the following:

**New Year**

**Monday 2 Jan 2023**

**Australia Day**

**Thursday 26 Jan 2023**

## Monthly Events

### January 2023:

Love your Liver month



Walk your  
dog Month

21 International Hug  
Day



### February 2023:

Raynaud's Awareness  
Month



28 Rare Disease Day

## Quote

The road to success is  
always under  
Construction.