

Senate inquiry excerpt

The cancer journey: Informing choice

Report on the inquiry into services and treatment options for persons with cancer

The Senate Community Affairs References Committee June 2005

Excerpt of recommendations that specifically mention The Gawler Foundation, from the Senate inquiry report into services and treatment options for people with cancer:

Recommendation 15

The Committee recommends that Cancer Australia examine appropriate funding mechanisms for programs and activities like those operated by The Gawler Foundation, which specialise in providing learning and self-help techniques based on an integrated approach for cancer patients and their carers. This examination should include consideration from a health and equity point of view of providing Medicare deductibility for cancer patients accessing these services.

Recommendation 17

The Committee recommends that patients and carers should be made aware of additional support services provided by organizations such as The Gawler Foundation in VIC, Balya Cancer Self Help and Wellness Inc in WA, and Bloomhill Cancer Help in QLD.

Pdf files of the recommendations (6 pages) and the full report (169 pages) can be found at www.gawler.org/research