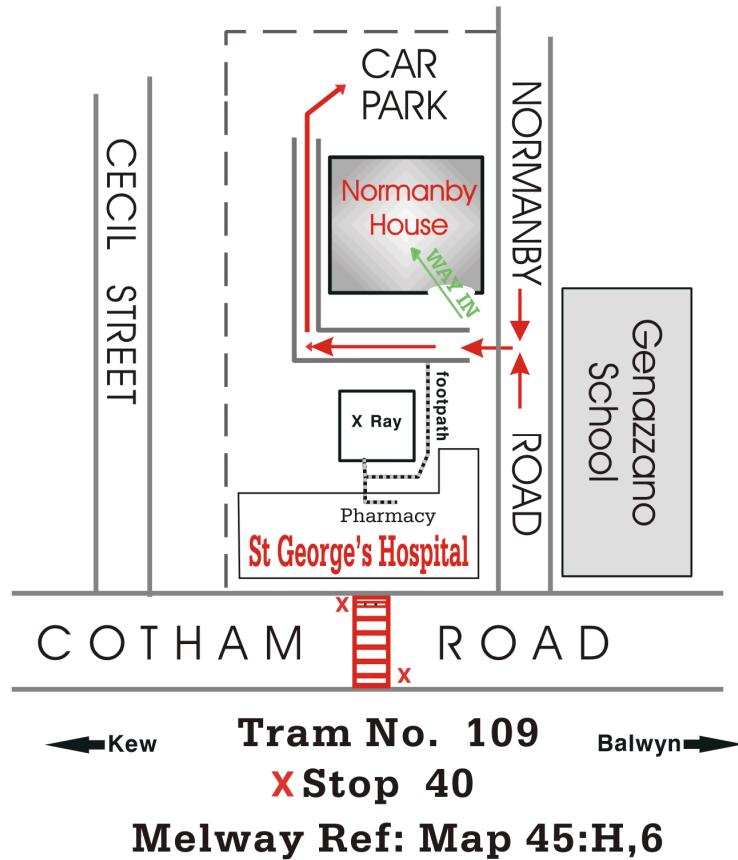




THE UNIVERSITY OF
MELBOURNE

RESEARCH CLINIC

*A Specialist Ambulatory Clinic
in Old Age Psychiatry
operated by the Academic Unit since 1995*



- **Public Transport access**

Tram: No. 109 along Cotham Road to outside St. George's Hospital - stop 40 at Normanby Road

Bus: Route 547 & 548 from Latrobe University and Mont Park. Alight at Cnr. Burke Road & Cotham Road and walk or catch Tram No. 109 west along Cotham Road to John Street. Route 624 from Kew to Oakleigh via Chadstone & Holmesglen. Alight at stop on cnr. John Street & Cotham Road. This bus connects with trains at Auburn Station.

Car: Enter from Normanby Road entrance.

- **Ready access to pathology and imaging services**

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University of Melbourne
St Vincent's Aged Psychiatry Service**

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Research Clinic as part of the Community-based Ambulatory Care Service provided by the Academic Unit

The St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne) site is recognised as one of the world's leading research sites in Old Age Psychiatry and Huntington's disease.

The Academic Unit for the Psychiatry of Old Age, The University of Melbourne, operates several St Vincent's Aged Psychiatry Service (SVAPS) Specialist Ambulatory Clinics (Memory and Related Disorders Clinic, Speech and Pathology Clinic, Psychotherapy Clinic and Huntington's Disease Clinic). All clinic patients are informed about national and international research projects currently being conducted by the Academic Unit, and have the opportunity to participate in trials of new medications and other clinical research studies.

After the eligibility of interested patients has been assessed, and they have signed relevant consent forms, they can become study participants in three main areas of clinical research:

Psychopharmacological Research

Trials of new medications for dementia, depression, and other cognitive disorders

Prospective Dementia Research

Research into current treatments and understandings of dementia and memory loss, with a view to investigating future treatments and preventative measures

Huntington's Disease (HD) Research

Prospective research in Huntington's disease and trials of medications for Huntington's disease

*All clinical research studies are approved by St Vincent's Human Research Ethics Committee.

Research Clinic Activities

- Assessment and advice for management
- Close monitoring and follow up, investigatory and advisory services
- Family involvement and education
- Evidence based access to new medications for treatment of cognitive impairment, dementia, depression, mood disorders.
- Education and support for GPs and Health Professionals
- Research
 - applied clinical studies
 - psychopharmacological studies of new anti-dementia medication and new anti-depressants

Referrals

Referrals to this clinic can be made by Health Professionals (GPs, specialists and other service providers)

Appointments

The Research Clinic operates on weekdays from 8am – 5pm. Participants are assessed by Clinic Consultants and researchers.

If you are interested in becoming involved in any of our Clinical Research projects, please feel free to contact us.

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