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A partnership
between
Allevia Hospitals and
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Healthcare



Private radiation therapy for cancer

Help with understanding your options

If you have health insurance, you will likely be covered for radiation therapy at Auckland Radiation Oncology.

If you've been diagnosed with cancer, it's normal to feel overwhelmed and anxious. Many people don't realise they have the option to receive private radiation therapy, even if they're already in the public health system.

Why consider Auckland Radiation Oncology?

When comparing your options, you may want to consider:



Fast access to care

Appointments with a radiation oncologist are typically available within 1-2 weeks of referral with no waitlist for treatment.



Two convenient locations

Treatment is available at two world-class sites: Epsom and North Shore.



Specialist-led care

You can choose from 18 experienced radiation oncologists, each specialising in different types of cancer. Your radiation oncologist will personally oversee each step of your care, creating an individual care plan for you in collaboration with other members of our support team.

Visit the Specialists page on our website for more information.



Insurance coverage

Treatment is covered or partly covered by most health insurance plans. We recommend checking directly with your insurer to understand cover and policy limits.



Advanced technology & techniques

We use world-class technology designed to improve precision, reduce side effects, and in some cases shorten the number of treatment sessions required.



Supportive care team

We have large team of support staff including radiation therapists, nurses and dietitians, who are committed to giving you the best care throughout your treatment with us.

Questions to ask your GP or specialist

This guide is designed to help you ask the right questions of your GP or specialist and feel confident in choosing the approach that's right for you. You may wish to take this guide to your appointment or email to your GP or specialist beforehand. Feel free to use the space below to note answers.

1. Eligibility and options

I understand there are public and private options for radiation therapy. Can my type of cancer be treated at ARO?

2. Timing and access

- Is there currently a difference in wait times between public treatment and private treatment?
- Would this be quicker at ARO?

3. Treatment approach

Is there any reason my treatment needs would be better or less well served by private treatment at ARO over a public provider?

4. Specialist recommendations

Is there a radiation oncologist at ARO who specialises in my type of cancer and whom you would recommend?

5. Location and flexibility

Where would I receive treatment in the public system versus at ARO?

If you would like to explore private radiation treatment, ask your GP or specialist to refer you to Auckland Radiation Oncology so you can find out more about your options.

Next Steps

Choosing where to receive cancer treatment is a very personal decision. Taking the time to understand your options can help you feel more informed, supported, and confident in your care.



If your GP or specialist would like more information about treatment at ARO, they can scan the qr code or visit our website: aro.co.nz/why-choose-aro

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