



# Make Manly a midwifery-led unit

**THERE** is absolutely no excuse for the closure of Manly Hospital for births.

The reality is there are not enough obstetrically-trained doctors nationwide and that is not going to change in the near future.

Midwives have been attending the births of babies to healthy mothers for thousands of years without medical assistance.

Manly (right) needs to follow the evidence based midwifery model that is emerging statewide (Shellharbour, Belmont and Ryde) where midwives care for low-risk women in the small units and transfer patients to the larger units if there is a problem.

Get with it Northern Sydney Health Service and show leadership by making Manly a midwifery-led unit like Ryde Hospital and serve the community you are there for.

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