



Fact Sheet

Juniperina Juvenile Justice Centre

Juniperina Juvenile Justice Centre is Australia's only juvenile justice centre for females, with a capacity for 46 young people. It is located at Lidcombe in Sydney's west and was opened in 24 August 2005. The centre accommodates females on control orders or remanded in custody. If from regional areas, they may be held in a regional juvenile justice centre for up to five days, pending court appearances, prior to being sent to Juniperina Juvenile Justice Centre. The centre offers a range of health, educational and spiritual services suited to females, including individual case management, specialised counselling, and training in job, living and parenting skills.

Address

169 Joseph St
Lidcombe NSW 2141
Phone: (02) 8737 5000
Facsimile: (02) 8737 5021

How to get there

Public Transport: Take the train to Lidcombe station or Regents Park. Walk for 10 – 20 mins to centre. Alternatively catch a taxi from the train station.

Private Transport: The centre is located off Joseph Street. Car parking is available at the centre.

Visitor Information

Bookings: Visits must be booked by family members. Call (02) 8737 5028 between 10am - 4:30pm (seven days a week). Legal visits (excluding Aboriginal Legal Service and Legal Aid) require bookings by faxing written notification to the centre's admissions staff on (02) 8737 5021.

Visit times: Wed: 3:15pm to 4:15pm; Sun: 10:15 pm - 12:15 pm, 1:15 pm - 2:15 pm, 3:15 pm - 4:15pm.

Conditions:

Tuesday between 10am - 1pm are visits by Aboriginal Legal Service.

Thursday between 10am – 1pm are visits by Legal Services.

Education

The Department of Education and Communities operates a school at the centre, so that young offenders can continue their studies while at the centre and learn skills to help them re-enter education, training or the workforce when they leave custody.

Health

Justice Health provides registered nurses for general healthcare, arranges visits from local General Practitioners to provide medical assessments and treatment, and consultant psychiatrists for professional assessment and treatment of young people as required. The centre employs two Alcohol and Other Drug Counsellor to assist young offenders in dealing with their drug and alcohol problems, and one Psychologist who provides assessment, counselling and group work.

Religious Services

The centre has one part time Chaplain, who provides religious and spiritual support to young people in custody. The centre can also arrange for young people from non-Christian faiths, including Islam and Buddhism, to receive religious support and counselling.
