

# Department of Health Services, State of Tasmania

1956 – 1989

## Details

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The Department of Health Services replaced the Public Health Department in 1956. The Department was responsible for public health, including, at first, mental health. In 1989, the Department of Health Services became the Department of Health.

Initially the Department of Health Services ran mental services, including Lachlan Park and Millbrook Rise Psychopathic Hospitals. In 1968, the Mental Health Services Commission took over responsibility for mental health. The two hospitals combined to form the Royal Derwent Hospital, run by its own Board.

## More info

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### Chronology

- Public Health Department, State of Tasmania (1904 - 1956)
  - **Department of Health Services, State of Tasmania (1956 – 1989)**
    - Department of Health, State of Tasmania (1989 - 1993)

### Related Entries

#### Ran

- [Devon Public Hospital \(1888 - 1958\)](#)
- [Queen Victoria Maternity Hospital \(1897 - 1993\)](#)
- [Queen Alexandra Maternity Hospital \(1908 - 1999\)](#)
- [Mothercraft Home \(1925 - c. 1988\)](#)
- [Millbrook Rise Psychopathic Hospital \(1934 - 1968\)](#)
- [Lachlan Park Hospital \(1937 - 1968\)](#)
- [Royal Hobart Hospital \(1938 - current\)](#)
- [Burnie General Hospital \(1951 - 1965\)](#)
- [Mersey General Hospital \(1958 - 1995\)](#)

#### Related Organisations

- [Meercroft Hospital \(1925 - 1958\)](#)
- [The Mental Health Services Commission \(1968 - 1989\)](#)

The Mental Health Services Commission took over the management of mental health from the Department of Health Services in 1968.

# Records

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- [General Correspondence-Hospital and Health Administration \(1932 - 1987\)](#)
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