

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## Kincaid-Smith, Priscilla Sheath

(1926 - 2015)

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<b>Born</b>	30 October, 1926, Johannesburg South Africa
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<b>Died</b>	18 July, 2015
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<b>Occupation</b>	Medical scientist
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### Summary

Priscilla Kincaid-Smith was Director of Nephrology, The Royal Melbourne Hospital 1967-1991, Professor of Medicine, University of Melbourne 1975-1991 and Physician in Nephrology, Royal Women's Hospital 1976-1991. Around the early 1960s she demonstrated overwhelming evidence of the link between headache powders and kidney damage and campaigned strongly against their use. She also made substantial contributions to research on the link between the kidneys and high blood pressure. She was appointed Commander of The Order of the British Empire (Civil) – 14 June 1975, for services to medicine (as Mrs Fairley).

### Events

#### 2001 - 2001

Inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women

### Published resources

#### Resource Section

Interview with Professor Priscilla Kincaid-Smith [conducted by Dr Max Blythe on 2 April 1998],  
<http://www.science.org.au/scientists/pks.htm>

Kincaid-Smith, Priscilla Sheath (1926 - ), Biographical Entry, 2002,  
<http://www.asap.unimelb.edu.au/bsparcs/biogs/P003456b.htm>

#### Book

Lifework: Heroes of Australian Health, Murray, James, 1997

The Ever open door : a history of the Royal Melbourne Hospital 1848-1998, Gregory, Alan, 1998

#### Resource

Where are the Women in Australian science?, Australian Science and Technology Heritage Centre, 2003,  
<http://www.austehc.unimelb.edu.au/wisa/wisa.html>

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Site Exhibition

Faith, Hope and Charity Australian Women and Imperial Honours: 1901-1989, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2003,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/honours/honours.html>

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