

## Therapist in Focus: Charlotte Bosson

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Charlotte Bosson operates City Haven Massage Therapy in Parkville and Mont Albert, Victoria.

*I am an OM2 and a Myotherapist. I began my massage career in 2003 and started my business in 2005. I hold an Advanced Diploma and I've just begun study towards a Bachelor of Health Science (Myotherapy). I've been running my business for 11 years and I strive for professionalism and provide a range of services. I've embraced my oncology massage skills and incorporate them into the care of many clients; not all of them have cancer. Since 2009, I have been onsite at Mercy Place, Parkville. We visit the nursing home and see people (80+) living onsite independently. When I had the opportunity to open a different location at the same site and be open to the public, I had the idea of offering oncology massage to the community as it fits in well with our other compassionate work in aged care.*

*I run another clinic with Myotherapists in Mont Albert and we specialise in Myotherapy treatments at that location. I'm not sure of the interest we'll get for oncology massage in Parkville but I'm giving it a go to see if there is demand; we are located close to Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre. I've hired Geraldine Earle, who is an OM4, to assist me. I'll do a lot of Myotherapy sessions onsite too; many of the elderly onsite residents actually love my Myotherapy treatments.*

*Geraldine and I offer different treatment styles but we share a bond with oncology massage and I am a therapist that can work on a sliding scale of need depending on the presentation of my client.*

*My biggest desire is to bring a professional service of care to the community and I am glad to offer oncology massage services as part of that.*

*The clinic is modern and professional – a great place for anyone who is considering treatment.*